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School and community organizations plant

By Ellenor Downer
Staff Writer

BARRE – It did not take long for 300 students in kindergarten through fifth grade from Ruggles Lane School to place 700 flags on North Common in a flag garden this Monday morning under sunny skies. Each flag represented a veteran buried in the town of Barre.

The flag placing ceremony went smoothly thanks to the efforts of Barre Post #2 American Legion, town veteran's agent, Tony Musnicki, principals, teachers and staff at Ruggles Lane Elementary School and town departments including DPW, fire and police departments, Felton Field commission and members of the Colonel Henry Knox color guard of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Members of the American Legion and school staff handed each child two flags at the Broad Street entrance of North Common. A fifth grader walked with every kindergartener.

The flag garden was a community effort. The Barre Police Department closed off Broad Street so students, teachers and staff could safely walk down the road to the common. The Barre Fire Department ladder truck, parked on Broad Street, displayed a large American Flag from the ladder.

The flags ended up in neat rows with equal spacing between each one as the Barre Department of Works superintendent and employees marked off a grid on the lawn. Each child placed a flag on a painted white dot on the grass. After placing the flags, the stu-



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Kindergarteners from Ruggles Lane Elementary School place American flags in the ground on North Common, Barre. The students in kindergarten through grade 5 walked from the school to the town common Monday morning.

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ATM article addressing stormwater issue defeated

By Paula Ouimette
Staff Writer

NORTH BROOKFIELD -- Town Moderator James Caldwell began the 209th Annual Town Meeting calling attention to a town government milestone. Caldwell recognized former Board of Health member and chair John Alphin for his 30 years of service to the town. Alphin stepped

down from his longtime position last year. "It takes 'us' to run this town," Caldwell said, encouraging all residents to join a board or committee.

Motions were made and carried to postpone until June 4 for Articles 4, 5, 6 and 14. The final Article on the warrant, Article 16, was petitioned by a resident to be added to the ATM warrant regarding stormwater issues.

Article 16 asked the town to approve and appropriate \$22,500 to correct problems with stormwater from town streets and adjacent properties that causes flooding at the residence of 94 Summer St., and the land and streets downstream on Prospect and Summer Street, to be used by the town highway department to contract to correct stormwater problems, involves a property owned by

Bruce and Deb Arnold since 1982.

Bruce Arnold gave a slide presentation pointing out the flooding issues they experience on their property whenever there is significant rainfall or melting snow. "Our basement floods anytime we get an inch of rain," Arnold said. The Arnolds have installed three sump pumps in their basement, some-

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Selectmen set location for ATM

To be held June 15
at Quabbin High

By Ellenor Downer
Staff Writer

BARRE – The Board of Selectmen discussed the location of the Tuesday, June 15 Annual Town Meeting.

Selectman chair Gregory O'Sullivan said typically 200 to 250 attend and they prefer the meeting indoors. He said he thought the high school was a better location than Ruggles Lane Elementary School. Selectman Maureen Marshall said the high school cafeteria can sit 600 and the acoustics were awful, but it was air conditioned. The board decided to hold the ATM in the cafeteria at the Quabbin Regional High School, 800 South St.

Moderator article requests

Moderator Joshua Smith via Zoom made a request for two articles on the town meeting warrant regarding the moderator. The first article would amend the date of the

annual town meeting to the way it is now. His second article would change the moderator position from a one-year to a three-year term. He said it would be more convenient for him to not have to file nomination papers every year. The board agreed and would put those articles on the meeting warrant.

Planning board articles

The planning board submitted five bylaw change articles. They included: to amend the Code of the Town of Barre, by adding a new section 140-33 Natural Resource Protection Zoning (NRPZ); to

to amend the Code of the Town of Barre, by adding a new section; 140-34 Rural Siting Principles; to amend the Code of the Town of Barre, by adding a new section, 140-35 Driveways, Common Driveways and Flexible Frontage; to amend the Code of the Town of Barre, by adding a new section, 140-36 Accessory Apartments and to amend the Code of the Town of Barre by adding a new section, 140-37 Rate of Development

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Select board awards school roof bid

By Ellenor Downer
Staff Writer

HUBBARDSTON – The select board met in person May 17 to review and award the Hubbardston Center School roof repair and replacement.

Select board chair Dan Galante said the town received four bids for the roof project. The lowest bid was Capeway Roofing Systems, Inc. with a bid of \$2,040,250, an amount less than the architect estimated. Other bidders were MDM Engineering, Greenwood Industries and Titan Roofing. Galante said Capeway Roofing had a score of 90 and it was a good score. The score came from ratings by previous project owners. The three select board members present Galante, Kris Pareago and Katie Young voted to award the roof bid to Capeway Roofing of Westport.

Town election issue

The select board signed a cor-

rected town election warrant. Town clerk Laurie Reed said the previous warrant listed two positions for five-year terms to the planning board. It should have read one five-year term and a one-year term to the planning board. Reed said she contacted town counsel about the matter, but she had not heard an answer yet from KP Law. She said there was still time before the election to post a revised warrant.

Planning board

Alice Livdahl of the planning board said Montachusett Regional Planning Commission needed public views for the town's Master Plan by June 30. MRPC would assist with a survey monkey. Livdahl asked if the planning board could hand out cards at the Annual Town Meeting about the survey monkey. The select board said they had no problem with the planning board handing out cards

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Purchase of Donovan Road property approved

Plans to locate fire station there

By Paula Ouimette
Staff Writer

NORTH BROOKFIELD – The Town of North Brookfield held a Special Town Meeting on Friday, May 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the North Brookfield Elementary School auditorium, with 33 articles, chief among them the acquisition of a property on Donovan Road.

Receiving the most attention from residents as well as their approval was Article 32, to see if the town would acquire 63-65 Donovan Road, a 3.71 acre tract, which is known as Huck's Garage. A ballot vote was taken with a two-thirds vote, or 114 votes, necessary for it to pass. The motion

received 166 yes votes and five no votes, resulting in a resounding approval.

BOS Chair Dale Kiley said the town needs a new fire station and estimates are coming in around \$11 million, with construction rising in cost due to COVID-19. The opportunity to acquire Huck's Garage, located at 63-65 Donovan Road, has given the town a more cost-effective option. Kiley said the town would relocate the Highway Department to Donovan Road, and then shift the Fire Department into the former Highway building.

Kiley said the current Fire Department building would become headquarters and a fire museum. Kiley said the Donovan Road property also offers an opportunity to generate revenue for the town through the storage rental facility located there. When asked by a resident if borrowing money was ideal considering their financial issues, Kiley explained that it was a Proposition 2 ½ debt

exclusion and a different revenue stream.

Fire Chief Joseph Holway said their current station was built in the 1800s. "We've been trying to get the highway building for years, but never had the opportunity," he said. Holway said a major concern the Fire Department is facing is the lack of exhaust systems in their station, saying, "a lot of mandates are coming down the pipe," and their current building would not be sufficient. Holway said the station was "built for horses...In 1912 it was time for another station."

The cost of building a new structure has gone up to \$11.5 million, Holway said. With the acquisition of the Donovan Road property, the town would be looking at about \$4 to 5 million to outfit the existing Highway Department into the new Fire Department. Holway said they could qualify up to 45% in reimbursement grants from the USDA.

Flags represent veterans buried in Barre



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Ruggles Lane Elementary school students placed 700 flags on Barre North Common by the Civil War Monument. The 700 flags represent the 700 veterans buried in the town of Barre.

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News of the Towns



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Library to hold Memorial Day event

The Woods Memorial Library, 19 Pleasant St., on Saturday, May 29 will host an indoor/outdoor Memorial Day celebration at the library. Registration is required for this festive and patriotic event: tours of the Chlldren’s Room will begin at 10:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Reserve a spot to take a tour through the Children’s Room, browse new material, learn more about the upcoming Summer Reading Program and listen to a Memorial Day story. People may register via phone at 978-355-2533 or email jpalmer@barrelibrary.org. Outside there will be space for bubbles, chalk drawing, block building and an area with tables to explore the art and activities provided. Masks are required. People should read library guidelines on its website before attending.

Rainbow for Girls takeout dinner
 A take-ut dinner sponsored by the Masonic Youth Organization, Barre Assembly #114, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls will be held Saturday, June 12. Pick up time is noon Saturday, June 12 at the Mount Zion Masonic Temple, Pleasant Street, Barre. Meal options are a lobster roll for \$12 or chicken salad for \$8, both come with chips and dessert. All meals are to go and registration by June 4 is required to labadore_7@msn.com.

Barre Congregational Church
 The Barre Congregational Church has reopened for inside church services. Safety protocols will be in place to protect everyone from unseen virus threats. Masks will be required of all in attendance. Entry is through the front door. The side door may be used for those needing the elevator. Exit through the rear door

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The Friends of the Hubbardston Senior Center distributed grab and go lunches recently to Hubbardston seniors.

Senior center hands out grab and go lunches

HUBBARDSTON – Over 100 grab and go lunches, featuring homemade hunter’s stew, a fresh baked roll and cookie, were distributed by the Friends of the Hubbardston Senior Center to appreciative seniors Thursday, May 13 during food distribution. The friends group received a grant from the Community Foundation of North Central Mass to provide nutritious meals to Hubbardston seniors citizens. The Hubbardston Senior Center/COA purchased the containers the meals are being served in.

Memorial Day schedule listed

BARRE – The Barre Memorial Day ceremony sponsored by Barre Post 2 American Legion will not have a parade again this year. At 9 a.m. the Post 2 Honor Guard will hold a small ceremony in South Barre.

Pastor James Foley will give a prayer and address at South Barre Common. Wreaths will be placed folled by the firing squad and the playing of Taps. Pastor Foley will give the benediction

At 10 a.m., they will be at St. Joseph’s Cemetery. There will be a prayer, placing of wreaths, salute by the firing squad and Taps.

At 10:30 a.m. at Glenn Valley cemetery with a prayer by Pastor Foley, placing of wreaths, salute

by firing squad and Taps.

At noon, there will be a ceremony at the Veterans Memorial on North Park in the center of Barre. The ceremony begins with the invocation by Pasto James Foley. Senior Vice Commnader Mike Blaney will read a proclamation. Both state Senator Anne Gobi and state Representative Donald Berthiaume will give remarks.

The musical selection is “The Navy Hymn.” Captain Daniel Brennock, SNSI, USN retired will give the address. Mike Blaney will read the names of the fallen veterans of the past year. NJROTC Cadet Summer Barringer will recite the “Gettysburg Address” and read the names of Barre’s Civil War dead. Senior Vice

Commander Blaney will recite “In Flanders Field” and NJROTC Cadet Roman Cerezo will read the names of Barre’s World War I dead.

Cadet Cerezo will recite “We Remember Them” and will read the name’s of Barre’s World War II dead. NJROTC Cadet Madison Whitney will recite “The Young Dead Soldiers Do Not Speak.”

Leif Erickson will remember Barre’s Vietnam dead. The music selection will be “American Elegy.”

The ceremony will conclude with the placing of wreaths on the veteran’s monuments, salute by the firing squad and the playing of Taps. Post 2 chaplain will give the benediction.

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Candidate night set for May 27

A Meet the Candidate night event will be held on May 27 at 6 p.m. for those participating in the upcoming election at the Hubbardston Senior Center. Light refreshments will be provided.

Hubbardston Fair

The Hubbardston Fair would be held Saturday, June 12 with a rain date of Sunday, June 13 at the Curtis Recreation Field from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event would include vendors, jugglers, the National Guard and a band. Tacos, pulled pork and hotdogs as well as beer and ale from the Gardner Ale House would be available for purchase.

Hubbardston Senior Center

The Hubbardston Senior Center is open and all activities are coming back. On Monday and Wednesday, there will be Coffee with Friends and Wii-Bowling from 9 to 11 a.m. Bingo resumed at 1:30 p.m. on Monday afternoon. On Tuesday and Thursdays the Walk Club has picked up where they left. Walking 1-2 miles at 9 a.m. Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. the Singers are melodiously raising their voices again. MOC meal drive thru and eggs continues on Thursdays from 8:30 to noon. Cribbage is at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday. Watercolor painting class is Friday’s from 9 to 11 a.m.

A few special events have also been planned. A jewelry making class will be held on June 15 at 10 a.m. The cost is \$10 per person. People should call to reserve a spot. A bus trip to Foxwoods is scheduled for Wednesday, June 30. People should call 978-928-1400, extension 11 to sign up.

The seniors will also be participating this year in the Annual Town Wide Yard Sale on June 26 and 27. All donations are welcome. If people need something picked up, call 978-928-1400, extension 211 to schedule a pick up appointment.

Paige Memorial Library to hold book sale

HARDWICK – The Friends of the Paige Memorial Library will hold a book sale at the Town House, 32 Common St. in conjunction with the annual plant, bake, tag and craft sale sponsored by the Tri-Prish Community Church, on the Common, Saturday, June 5, and Sunday, June 6 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be lots of books with many fresh new titles for sale. People may call 413-477-6704 or email Director.paigelibrary@gmail.com for more information.


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News of the Towns

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Note: Many meetings are closed to the public or will be held remotely.

BARRE

Cemetery Commission – May 27 at 11 a.m.
Finance Committee – May 27 at 6:30 p.m.
Board of Assessors – June 1 at 6 p.m.
Felton Field Commission – June 1 at 6:30 p.m.
Planning Board – June 1 at 7 p.m.
Council on Aging – June 2 at 1 p.m.
Zoning Board of Appeals – June 2 at 7 p.m.
South Barre Common Advisory Committee – June 3 at 6 p.m.
9/11 Memorial Development Committee – June 3 at 7 p.m.
Board of Selectmen – June 7 at 6:30 p.m.
Cable Advisory Committee – June 8 at 7 p.m.
Library Trustees – June 9 at 6:30 p.m.
Board of Health – June 14 at 5 p.m.
Water Commission – June 14 at 6:30 p.m.
DPW Commission – June 14 at 7 p.m.
Town Meeting – June 15 at 6:30 p.m.
Sewer Commission – June 17 at 7 p.m.

HARDWICK

Board of Selectmen – June 1, June 7 and June 14 at 6:30 p.m.
Recycling Commission – June 1 at 6:30 p.m.
Board of Health – June 3 at 6:30 p.m.
Paige Library Trustees – June 3 at 7 p.m.
Council on Aging – June 10 at 9:30 a.m.
Gilbertville Public Library – June 11 at 4 p.m.
Gilbertville-Wheelwright Sewer Commissioners – June 14 at 6 p.m.
Gilbertville Water District – June 15 at 5:30 p.m.
Conservation Commission – June 16 at 6:30 p.m.

HUBBARDSTON

Capital Improvement Planning Committee – May 27 at 4 p.m.
Conservation Commission – June 1 at 7 p.m.
Planning Board – June 3 at 6:30 p.m.
Historical Commission – June 5 at 10 a.m.
Town Center Committee – June 17 at 7 p.m.
Open Space Committee – June 29 at 7 p.m.

PETERSHAM

Planning Board – May 27 at 7 p.m.
Conservation Commission – June 1 at 5:30 p.m.
Open Space and Recreation Committee – June 1 at 6:30 p.m.
Board of Health – June 3 and June 17 at 7 p.m.
Zoning Board of Appeals – June 3 at 7 p.m.
Cemetery Commission – June 10 at 7 p.m.
Board of Assessors – June 11 at 9 a.m.
Nichewaug Inn and Academy Committee 2020 – June 14 at 6:30 p.m.
Petersham Historic District – June 17 at 7 p.m.
Council on Aging – Aug. 9 at 10 a.m.

RUTLAND

Master Plan Steering Committee – May 27 at 7 p.m.
Annual Town Meeting – June 5 at 8 p.m.
Community Outreach Meeting for Proposed Cultivation marijuana – June 8 at 6 p.m.
Public Hearing Planning Board – June 8 at 6:40 p.m.
Public Hearing Planning Board – June 8 at 6:55 p.m.

Barre Dining Center

BARRE — Elder Services of Worcester Area Nutrition Program welcomes guests to dine at the Barre Senior Center, 557 South Barre Road. The following meals will be served for the week of May 31. Meal sites are closed and there are only Meals on Wheels deliveries. Volunteers are needed at the Barre dining site. Volunteers are needed for Meals on Wheels (mileage reimbursement) and in the kitchen. People should contact 978-355-5027.

MON. – MEMORIAL DAY No meals served.

TUES. – Jambalaya, steamed rice, summer corn, pineapple

WED. – Potato crunch fish, herbed potatoes, mixed vegetables, vanilla pudding, diet = diet vanilla pudding, tartar sauce

THURS. – Baked ham, sour cream/chive mashed potatoes, herbed carrots, fresh fruit

FRI. – Garlic herbed chicken, bread stuffing, roasted California blend vegetables, peach crisp, diet = peaches

*Diabetic friendly dessert **Higher sodium entree
Meal includes milk and margarine. Menus are subject to change. All meals are served at about 11:45 a.m. each weekday. Reservations should be made the day before by calling 978-355-5027 before 10:30 a.m. The donation of \$2.50 per meal helps keep the program running.

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Reserve a spot to take a tour through the Children's Room, browse new material, learn more about the upcoming Summer Reading Program and listen to a Memorial Day story. People may register via phone at 978-355-2533 or email jjpalmer@barrelibrary.org. Outside there will be space for bubbles, chalk drawing, block building and an area with tables to explore the art and activities provided. Masks are required. People should read library guidelines on its website before attending.

Corrections policy

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Woods Memorial Library reopens building to patrons

BARRE – Woods Memorial Library announces it will start a limited reopening of its building to the public on Wednesday, June 2.

The library will require everyone over the age of five to properly wear masks or cloth face coverings in the building at all times in order to help ensure the health and safety of patrons, community and staff.

Masks and cloth face coverings must completely cover both the mouth and nose without visible holes or gaps, such as with loosely-woven or knitted fabrics and may not have exhalation valves or vents. Winter scarves, ski masks or balaclavas are not acceptable.

For those who remain uncomfortable about entering the building or are unable or unwilling to wear a proper mask or face covering for any reason, outdoor material pickup appointments will continue. Library staff will work with these patrons regarding any additional needs.

Patrons found not wearing a mask or face covering properly will be reminded to do so up to two times. If they refuse at any time or are found not wearing one properly on three or more occasions, they will be asked to put down all library material and leave immediately. If they refuse to leave, police will be called to escort them out and they may have their circulation privileges restricted and/or suspended.

Patrons must sanitize their hands upon entry and prior to using in-house devices. The staff asks anyone using a wash-room to wipe any surfaces touched in them.

To avoid having the building overwhelmed by patrons upon reopening, appointments will be required for browsing or laptop/computer use to start. Access is limited by both length of time and the number of appointments at once.

To try to ensure equitable access, patrons will be limited to one browsing and one laptop/computer appointment per week unless demand indicates this limit is not required.

All browsing or computer/laptop appointments must be requested ahead of time by email, contact form, telephone

or in-person. To begin, staff will perform draws of submitted requests at 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 27, then contact those patrons in the order of names drawn to schedule their first appointment.

Open browsing appointment times are Tuesdays 2:30, 3, 3:30, 4, 6:30 and 7 p.m.; Wednesdays 11:30 a.m., noon, 2, 2:30, 3 and 3:30 p.m.; Thursdays noon, 12:30, 1, 1:30, 4:30, 5, 5:30 and 6 p.m. and Saturdays 10:30 11, 11:30 a.m. and noon. Seniors' appointments are Wednesdays 10:30 and 11 a.m.

Each browsing appointment group may have a maximum of two adults and/or young adults, plus any accompanying children. Children must be supervised by the adult/young adults at all times.

There will be a maximum of five groups per browsing appointment time. Appointments end 20 minutes after the appointment time begins; patrons, who arrive late, must still leave at the appointment's end time.

The staff will allow a maximum of two groups in the Children's Room at once. All groups will have an opportunity to browse in it during their appointment.

Open computer/laptop appointment times are Tuesdays 2:30, 3:30 and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesdays 2 and 3 p.m.; Thursdays noon, 1, 4:30 and 5:30 p.m.; and Saturdays 10:30 and 11:30 a.m.. Seniors' appointments are Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Each computer/laptop appointment group may have a maximum of two patrons per computer/laptop. Devices will be available on a first-come, first-served basis, and patrons using laptops must sit at designated spaces. These patrons may also pick up material already on the hold shelf for them at the start of their appointment.

For those who remain uncomfortable about entering the building, or who are unable or unwilling to wear a proper mask or face covering for any reason, outdoor material pickup appointments will continue. Library staff will work with these patrons regarding any additional needs.

Petersham town election results announced

PETERSHAM – There were no contests on the ballot for the May 17 annual town election. One hundred twenty voters out of the 989 registered voters went to the poll.

Voters re-elected Henry L. Woolsey to a three-year term on the board of selectmen with 108 votes.

Rebecca Legare won a seat on the board of selectmen for

two years with 94 votes. Renee J. Wingertman, a candidate for re-election, won a three-year term as tax collector with 110 votes. Diana L. Cooley, incumbent, won a three-year term as town clerk with 117 votes.

Other candidates on the ballot were Jamie Hatch for three-year term board of assessor with 109 votes, Rebecca Jackson for three-year term to board

Outdoor material pickup appointments will be Tuesdays 5, 5:15, 5:30 and 6 p.m.; Wednesdays 6, 6:15, 6:30, 6:45, 7 and 7:15 p.m.; Thursdays 10:30, 10:45, 11 and 11:15 a.m.; Fridays 2:30, 2:45, 3, 3:15, 3:30, 3:45, 4 and 4:15 p.m. and Saturdays 10 and 10:15 a.m.

All patrons must present a valid library card to either enter the building or pick up materials, even during outdoor service.

Apart from library technology, all returning materials must be placed in bins at the parking lot entrance during any service hours until the outdoor book return reopens (upon receipt of a new cart). Patrons with indoor appointments must return material before entering the building; the indoor returns may not be used at this time.

Returned material will quarantine for 24 hours whenever the UV-C sterilization device is unavailable and/or for materials that cannot go into it and will be checked in using the date of return when known.

The library will stop using the "Amnesty Mode" feature as of July 1, 2021. This means that any fines for overdue material will no longer be removed from patron records when we check them in.

A fuller reopening to the public without appointments is planned for Tuesday, June 22, in conjunction with the beginning of the Summer Reading Program. Wearing proper masks/face coverings will still be required at that time.

The updated Reopening Plan will be posted on our website and at the parking lot entrance and print copies will be available.

All service dates, times and options are subject to change. Regular updates will appear in this newspaper, on the website, Wowbrary newsletter, Facebook, posted at the parking lot entrance and voicemail message.

People may contact the library at 978-355-2533 or barrelibrary@gmail.com if they have any questions or concerns. The library staff thanks patrons for their support and understanding as the staff navigated this situation as best it could in order to help keep the community safe and look forward to seeing patrons inside soon.

Oakham

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Farmers' market comes to Wright Field

A farmers' market will be held Sundays from 8 a.m. to noon on Wright Memorial Field, Ware Corner Road, now through Sept. 5.

Collection for Dismas Farm

During the month of May, the Oakham Congregational Church will be collecting items for Dismas Farm. Some of the items include new twin-sized sheets and blankets, new pillows, bath towels, laundry detergent, toilet paper, paper towels, cleaning supplies, men's work gloves, new men's sweatshirts and tee shirts (sizes L to XXXL) and fuel give cards to help with transportation costs. People may drop off donations Sunday mornings from 9:30 to 11:15 a.m. On the list at the church are specific sizes for sneakers and work boots; anyone wishing to donate one of those items may sign their name next to the specific sneakers or work boots.

Church golf tournament

Last year the annual Oakham Congregational Robert Tyck Memorial Golf Tournament was not held due to COVID-19. This year it will be held on Saturday, Sept. 11 in the afternoon at Quail Hollow Country Club in Oakham. More information will be available later.

Church news

The Oakham Congregational Church will hold in person Sunday worship at 10 a.m. Social distancing will be followed and masks must be worn. Sunday School is held in Fellowship Hall, located in the downstairs of the church.

Golf tournament benefits Quabbin baseball/softball

The third annual Quabbin Baseball/Softball Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, June 12 at Quail Hollow Country Club, 1822 Old Turnpike Road, Oakham to benefit the Quabbin Junior Varsity and Varsity baseball and softball teams. The 18 hole shotgun start tournament begins with check in at 7 a.m. and shotgun start at 8 a.m. Cost is \$320 per foursome. The cost includes cart, green fees, post golf lunch. Prizes will be awarded to the winning team and runner-up. Individual prizes include longest drive, closest to pin, male and female. There will be a hole in 1 contest with the prize a 2021 brand new Jeep Cherokee Latitude 4x4 courtesy of Guzik Motor Sales, Inc. and St. Germain Insurance, Inc.

Registration deadline in June 5. People should mail registration with team member names, phone number and a check payable to Friends of Quabbin Baseball and Softball and mail to Kristine Wallace, 8 King Road, North Brookfield, MA 01535. People may email Kwal92@aol.com with questions.

People may also be a tournament sponsor. If interested, they should call or text Ann Marie St. Germain at 413-427-5162.

Summer Solstice celebration set for June 9

HARDWICK – The Hardwick Historical Society and the Friends of the Paige Memorial Library invite all to a celebration of the Summer Solstice on Saturday, June 19 from 5-8 p.m. on the Hardwick Common. People should bring blankets or chairs and a picnic for their family. They may listen to and perhaps dance to the music of The Otters sponsored by a grant from the Hardwick/New Braintree Cultural Council. There will be hot dogs, root beer floats with ice cream from Rondeau's Dairy Bar and cookies for purchase. Materials will be available for craft projects.

This event celebrates the longest day of the year and the beginning of summer. People may dress for the event in tie-dye clothes and wear flowers in their hair.

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Editorial

Remembering our fallen soldiers

By Elenor Downer

Memorial Day is a time to remember the many veterans that gave their lives for this country during times of war. Memorial Day originally was called Decoration Day and had its origin after the Civil War. There are many stories as to its actual beginnings, with over two-dozen cities and towns laying claim to being the birthplace of Memorial Day. There is also evidence that organized women’s groups in the South were decorating graves even before the end of the Civil War.

Memorial Day was officially proclaimed on May 5, 1868 by General John Logan, national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, in his General Order No. 11 and was first observed on May 30, 1868 when flowers were placed on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery. The first state to recognize the holiday was New York in 1873. By 1890, all the northern states recognized the holiday.

The southern states refused to acknowledge the day, honoring their dead on separate days until after World War I when the holiday changed from honoring just those that died fighting in the Civil War to honoring all Americans, who died fighting in any war.

Today almost every state celebrates Memorial Day on the last Monday in May.

This week, crews in our towns mowed the town commons and cemeteries and trimmed around the gravestones in anticipation of Memorial Day. In Barre, Ruggles Lane School children placed 700 flags on North Common earlier this week. Each flag represented a veteran buried in Barre.

Barre this year will hold a Memorial Day ceremony at noon in Veterans Park, North Common. Before the ceremony members of Post #2 American Legion will visit South Barre Common, St. Joseph’s Cemetery and Glen Valley Cemetery to place wreaths and flags. This year there will be no parade, but unlike last year, the ceremony will be held. Last year just a handful of American Legion members participated and made a video.

All of us should take the time as we come out of COVID isolation to attend a Memorial Day service. It is the least that we can do for our fallen soldiers, who in the words of President Abraham Lincoln “gave the last full measure of devotion.”

Guest column

Adventures of Gertrude the Cat

By Ruth Robinson

Dear Folks,

As I am sure you know, I am an indoor cat and sometimes there just isn’t much to get into. However, I did manage to get into trouble this morning and got scolded royally.

Missy is expecting company to come and sleep overs in the spare room and had put clean towels, large and small and facecloths on the wooden rack in that room. It was great fun pulling down the towels and then tipping over the rack. Whee, when the rack fell over it made a big noise and Missy came running so I didn’t enjoy myself very long. I received a big swart on my rear as I dusted under the bed. “What am I going to do to you, Gertrude? I just hope nothing got dirty. I know that loaded rack was tempting for you. Please try to be good the rest of the weekend.”

So while she proceeded to pick up things, I went into the living room and jumped up on the back of the couch and watched my birdies. I sure miss my turkeys that used to come in small groups or a large flock. Our neighbor fenced in their yard next to our wall and they are raising Alaskan sled dogs. They have about six or seven now.

Missy told me yesterday that when she went to visit her brother that his new cat and Waldo were watching all the turkey outside of his house. He has a big field behind his house and has all kinds of animals come in at various times, bears or deer as well as turkeys.

I sure miss our turkeys strutting around with tails arched and showing off to the females. That was always fun to see.

Missy said we had a bear at our feeder and he stole the suit feeder cage. So no more suet, she said.

It is time for my nap so I will sleep in the big box that Missy put in the computer room yesterday. It has soft things in it.

Love,
Gertrude



In Past Pages

5 years ago (June 2, 2016)

There will be a groundbreaking ceremony for the new Barre Public Safety Building that will house the police and EMS departments Friday, June 10 at 10 a.m. at the site, 655 South Street. The location is across from the Sykes Barn and adjacent to the Covenant Evangelical Church.

The conservation restriction on the Gross Farm moved forward with the presentation of a check for \$375,000 by East Quabbin Land Trust Executive Director Cynthia Henshaw. The Petersham select board also signed the agreement for the use of the funds at its Tuesday night meeting. Henshaw said that part of the \$375,000 came from a land grant and the balance raised as gifts to preserve the 235-acre farm located on East Street. Five acres of the 235 did not fall under the conservation restriction and included the home and barn.

For Ernest Fredrick Richards of Petersham front and center in the Quabbin Regional High School gym last Friday morning was the only place for him to be. The 93-year-old veteran of World War II was one of the many servicemen and women, who were recognized and thanked at the annual Memorial Day Assembly, put on by the school’s NJROTC program. “This was wonderful, Richards said after the program. It’s an honor to respect the men and women that saved my life and other’s.” Dressed in the uniform that still fit him when he served those many years ago, Richards shed tears as he accepted a flag during the moving service and spoke after about his time spent in Europe and North Africa, serving under General Patton.

10 years (June 2, 2011)

State Environmental Police charged Edward J. Pageau, 40, of 4 John St., Millbury with littering, littering in a watershed, area, wanton destruction (a white pine tree that the truck damaged when dumping) and entry and exit on on-public way last week. He will be arraigned in East Brookfield District Court next week. Pageau could face up to a \$50,000 fine and/or one year in prison. Department of Conservation and Recreation employees discovered the pile of trash from a 20 cubic yard container on Sunday morning, May 8 on the private way off Coldbrook Road, a public way to the Barre Falls Dam, about ½ mile from Route 122 in Oakham. The site located in Barre is part of the Ware River Watershed and not far from the Ware River.

The town of Oakham held its Memorial Day parade and exercises beginning at 10 a.m. Barre’s

LOOK BACK
Quabbin Cross-Country Team - 1971



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The boys’ team won the League Championship at Lawrence Academy in Groton. Pictured from left to right are: Coach Dick Shea, Charlie Chase, Louis Panaccione, Tom Gustafson, Dino Lamacchia, Bert Allen, Dave Williams, and Floyd Bowles. All runners finished in the top 20. Lamacchia was the overall winner and set a new course record.

parade and ceremony followed at noon on Monday, May 30. Two of Oakham’s oldest veterans, Henry “Hank” Stone and Eva Grimes, rode in the parade. They also had seats of honor in the gazebo on the common.

Barre Police Chief Erik Demetropoulos wants to make resident aware that there have been numerous reports of black bears in town, including one running on the town common. Animal control officer reminds residents to take in bird feeders.

25 years (May 30, 1996)

In the first weeks of June, Barbara Roberts gets to experience the pleasures of her botanical offspring with the critical eye of an experienced hybridizer of tall bearded irises. For Barbara each element of her introductory iris must culminate into an iris that will be worthy of registration by the American Iris Society.

Hubbardston Highway Superintendent David Frye resigned his position at a brief May 21 meeting the selectmen, effective June 30 of this year. He is leaving to accept a similar position with the town of Orange, his hometown. He had been Hubbardston’s highway chief for approximately 17 months.

Barre selectmen, at their meeting Monday night, adopted a drug policy for employees with commercial drivers’ license in compliance with the federal Omnibus Transportation Act of 1991. Selectman Arlene Betteridge said that there has been no evidence of drug or alcohol abuse by town employees, but it is important the

town comply with the law.

38 years (June 2, 1983)

Margaret Dymon, Director of the Central Massachusetts School of Ballet, is pleased to announce that Robin Hastings, a student at the school, received fourth place in the Worcester Ballet Society’s Annual ballet, modern and jazz scholarship competition. A scholarship was awarded to Robin for her continuing study in dance. During the summer, Miss Hastings will augment her classes at the Central Massachusetts School of Ballet with further study at the Boston Conservatory of Music Dance Department. Robin is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hastings of Old State Road and she is an eighth grader at Quabbin Regional.

On Wednesday evening, May 25, the Quabbin Regional High School Latin Clubs held their annual banquet in the cafeteria. Approximately 90 adults and students enjoyed a covered dish supper, which was served after an antipasto salad and before delectable desserts. The evening’s activities were presided over by Ann Bechan, Senior Latin Club president and Ryan Witkos, Junior High Latin Club president.

For the second time in 12 years, Petersham observed Memorial Day from the warm, dry interior of the Town Hall. Perhaps this is an improvement, in some ways, as everyone clearly hears the program, which usually is lost on the cemetery air. For all but the eight flag bearers and their guards, it was a pleasant sit down instead of the two and one-half hour march about town and there were no mosquitoes.

Guest Column

Tomato planting 101

With the quintessential frost-free target date of Memorial Day just days away, I think it’s the perfect time to encourage folks to give gardening a try. Growing tomatoes is a good place to start. First, because growing them is relatively easy and secondly, because you will be delighted with a great return for your investment of a little money and some time. No supermarket tomato could ever compare to one that is homegrown and sun-ripened.

First of all, head to the local nursery and select a plant. There are many varieties to choose from. Do you prefer slicing tomatoes, cherry or pear-shaped for salads, or meaty paste types? If you plan on growing your tomato in a patio container, it may be best to settle on a determinate or bush type that will require next to no staking and will remain tidy in its pot.

Find a spot in your yard that gets at least six hours of sun a day. Less than that and you will have more leaves than fruit. If necessary, remove existing sod to accommodate your plant(s). Tomatoes should be spaced about 18 inches to two feet away from one another. For one plant prepare a section two feet wide by two feet deep. Now, go ahead a dig a fairly deep hole. How deep depends on the size of your transplant. Since tomatoes have the ability to form roots along their stem, plan on burying one-half to three-quarters of the stem in addition to the root ball. Don’t worry; although this planting depth sounds extreme, it will be better for the plant in the long run. In my experience, a cup or two of well-rotted manure or aged compost mixed with the soil in the bottom of the planting hole along with a sprinkling of balanced organic fertilizer is all the food your tomatoes will need during the growing season.

If you plan on growing your tomato in a container, choose one that is at least a foot wide and deeper if possible. Fill it 50/50 with potting soil and garden loam or compost. The blend will be lightweight and nutritious.

Tomatoes need support in the form of a cage or tall bamboo stakes wrapped with twine at regular intervals. Although your transplants may seem puny now, go ahead and install the supports at planting time. Once planting is complete be sure to give them a hearty drink. Continue to water every other day for the first week or so if nature doesn’t provide adequate rainfall. Watering at the base of the plant will direct water to the roots and keep most of the foliage dry. A good practice in disease prevention. Once the plants are established, a deep watering twice a week is all that is necessary. Mulch of some kind, be it straw, grass clippings, chopped leaves or even sheets of newspaper will keep the weeds down and conserve moisture; some say it also helps to prevent disease by preventing backsplash onto the foliage.

Often times experts recommend pruning away the suckers that form between the main stem and side shoots. If you do you will have fruit that is bigger, but in smaller quantities. Most of all, don’t worry about the rules and regulations, just do your best and have fun with your first gardening experience.

Roberta McQuaid graduated from the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the University of Massachusetts. For the last 28 years, she has held the position of staff horticulturalist at Old Sturbridge Village. She enjoys growing food as well as flowers. Have a question for her? Email it to ekennedy@turley.com with “Gardening Question” in the subject line.

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Serenity Hill Sampler

by Jane McCauley

It sure feels like summer, but we are really still in spring. The past two years it seems we have gone right into summer with no real spring. The trees are all leaved out and the irises are starting to bud. The lilacs are out in full bloom. I can remember when they did not come out until Memorial Day as we used to put bouquets of them on the grave sites. My mother used to provide lilacs for the Hubbardston Center School graduation, which was the middle of June. Seasons are changing.

I made the first rhubarb dessert this week and plan to make some fritters once we get another batch. You have to keep picking it or it will go to seed. When you pick rhubarb you are suppose to pull the stalks and not cut them.

Here is the fritter recipe I plan to use.

RHUBARB FRITTERS

1 cup all purpose flour
1 cup plus 1 tablespoon sugar divided
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 eggs, separated
1/2 cup milk
1 tablespoon butter or margarine, melted
2 cups finely chopped fresh or frozen rhubarb, thawed and drained
oil for deep fat frying
confectioners' sugar
In a medium bowl, com-

bine flour, 1 cup sugar and salt. In another bowl whisk egg yolks, milk and butter. Gradually add to the dry ingredients , stirring until smooth. Toss rhubarb with the remaining sugar, gently stir into batter. In a mixing bowl, beat egg whites until stiff. Fold in batter. In an electric skillet or deep fat fryer, heat oil to 375 degrees. Drop batter by tablespoons into oil. Fry, a few at a time turning with a slotted spoon until golden brown. Drain on paper towels. Dust with confectioners' sugar. Serve warm. Makes about 3 dozen.

This and That

Now that I have been vaccinated, I feel a little freer to go places so my dear friend Nancy invited me to come to her new senior housing in N.H. My other friend Roberta offered to drive me. My old 1998 Jeep is getting rather old to go very far so that pleased me. We had a wonderful time as Nancy is such a good host. She made her famous delicious Spice Apple Muffins for coffee. In the afternoon, we were having such a good time I guess we didn't want to leave so Nancy offered to serve us a gelatin salad with pineapple, cream cheese and nuts, another delicious creation of the good cook.

Nancy and I used to do many things together when she lived in Hubbardston. We were members

of the Garden Club, Historical Society, 4-H Club and picked blueberries and cranberries together. She is a great friend. It was nice to have some adult conversation. During the virus situation, it has been a very lonely time especially for seniors as we had to stay home.

I have been working in the flower gardens and have planted everything outside that I plan to. I also brought my house plants out on the deck. I did buy one more yellow orchid so now I have 10 orchids. Those are being kept in the east bay window as they seem to like it there.

For Mother's Day my eldest daughter bought me a book called "How Not to Become a Little Old Lady." It is rather a fun book to read. One page reads, "Won't wear white shoes before Memorial Day or after Labor Day." I remember that was true with me for years. I have taken out my summer shoes and sandals now.

Another book she gave me was how to garden when you get older. I found a lot of tips I plan to use. You just don't have the strength you had when you were younger. I also find that I develop sciatica every garden season as I don't bend my knees when I weed.

I plan to go to the cemeteries this week and bring some plants and trim the Boxwood. Have a good week.

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Bylaw. Selectman O'Sullivan said there was no wording of the bylaws and the board would need to get some clarification.

Article to change selectmen to select board

Vice-chair Dylan Clark requested an article to change the board of selectmen to select board. The other board members concurred.

Budget

Town administrator Jessica Sizer went over the budget with the board. She said the budget changed slightly with Medicare and retirement accounts, but it was nothing major. She said the budget was under the levy limit, but she did not have final state aid numbers. She also said the local receipts number may be updated before the meeting of selectmen with the finance committee. The town saw an increase in the building permits. Sizer said contractual expenditures would

also be changing as the town was in the middle of union negotiations and contracts with DPW superintendent, fire chief, police chief and town administrator.

She also listed capital expenditures, which included a fire chief car, Fire Station II renovations, new cruiser, town hall roof replacement, generator for Ruggles Lane and a Volvo loader for the DPW estimated at \$200,000. Chair O'Sullivan said some of the cost could be covered with Chapter 90 money and the water and sewer enterprise funds, as both those departments used the loader. The roof repairs to town hall was a priority. Some capital expenditures like the generator for Ruggles Lane could wait for a Special Town Meeting in the fall when the town would have a better idea of what the American Recovery Act funds covered.

Other business

Selectman Marshall said she talked with boards and commit-

tees regarding a bylaw change to require taping of meetings and they wished the selectmen called them into a meeting to discuss the matter. She also said the town could provide training for writing meeting minutes and using equipment to record meetings. Chair O'Sullivan said the town clerk should be involved as well.

Selectmen received a letter from Sam Lipson about outfitting the senior center with state of the art recording equipment so meetings could be held there as well.

The town administrator said the building commissioner went through town hall and the Henry Woods Building and he found some issues. She said some of the \$1.6 million American Recovery Act funds could be used for an HVAC system in the Henry Woods Building and making the front door handicapped accessible, which the building commissioner pointed out.

Highway Superintendent Jason Benoit said he has looked at the property. Benoit said the properties associated with the area have hand-dug wells that still exist to this day. He said the flooding is caused by an overflow to a hand-dug well that neighbors share as well.

Benoit said he initially agreed with Arnold that it was a town issue, with tree roots in the culvert, but upon investigation, Benoit said it was determined to be a well issue.

The motion was moved to a two thirds ballot vote. A "yes" vote agrees that the town is liable for the repairs and a "no" vote says the town is not liable. The motion received 62 "yes" votes to 59 "no" votes. In order to receive 2/3 of votes, the motion would have needed 82 votes.

The motion did not carry and Motions carried for Articles 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 15. was therefore defeated.

Hubbardston Fair would be held June 12 with a rain date of June 13 at the Curtis Recreation Field from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event would include vendors, jugglers, the National Guard and a band. Tacos, pulled pork and hotdogs as well as beer and ale from the Gardner Ale House would be available for purchase. The Girl Scouts would hold another can and bottle drive on Aug. 14 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the recreation field. Other upcoming events included the Dinghy Dash Aug. 28 and Field Day Sept. 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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since it provided information about how to file the public view. The survey would consist of questions about the various aspects of the master plan such as housing, transportation, etc.

Municipal building committee

Select board member Katie Young said she attended the municipal building committee meetings as an observer. She said chair of the committee Michael Stauder asked for some direction from the select board. The committee had two plans A and B. Plan A would be the purchase and renovation of an existing building to house fire and/or police departments. John's Auto on Gardner Road would be up for sale in two or three years. The building has three large, bays and office and a house. Plan B would build something new. Young said the committee wanted to know which direction the select board wanted the committee to go. Members of the select board planned to look at the property and meet with the owner and would get back to the municipal building committee.

Town administrator report

Acting town administrator David Nixon in his report said the Center for Disease Control relaxed masking for fully vaccinated people and the Governor would be revising masking May 29. He said the town collected 95% of its revenues and the revenues were better than projected. He also said expenditures were lower. Nixon said, "It was not a bad position to be in."

Announcements

Young had several announcements. The

In My Backyard by Ellenor Downer

I received an email from an Oakham resident. He said after filling his bird feeder "a colorful explosion with some old favorites like cardinals, purple finches and goldfinches in their new spring outfits, along with some new arrivals, a Baltimore oriole, a rose breasted grosbeak and the first indigo bunting that my wife had ever seen."

The male indigo bunting is a small finch about 5 1/2 inches long and is a deep blue. The female is brown with a paler breast. The female has faint wing bars. Both have a conical bill with the male's dark gray and the female lighter gray.

The male conspicuously sings from tops of trees and shrubs. Its song is a "sweet-sweet, chew-chew." Its call is a sharp "spit" and given when someone approaches its nest. The female is secretive and her coloring makes her hard to spot.

The female lays two to six white eggs in a nest of dead leaves, weed stems, grasses and lined with finer grasses and downy materials. The indigo bun-

ting places the nest in a fork of a tree or shrub. It inhabits brush and low trees near open area like over-grown fields. They forage on the ground and in low foliage for insects, weed seeds, wild berries and grains.

Sugar loving woodpeckers

I have a pair of downy woodpeckers, which regularly come to my nectar feeder. I purchased a new nectar feeder, which has a wrap around perch instead of individual perches at each nectar port. I think it makes it easier for the woodpeckers to grab and drink nectar from it. I also have a red-bellied woodpecker, which sometimes visits the nectar feeder. If birds had teeth, I would say the woodpeckers had a sweet tooth. Since they don't, I will say they have a sweet tongue.

The red-bellied woodpecker also likes the orange half I put out for the Baltimore orioles. Between the hummingbirds and the woodpeckers, I boil up sugar water daily. I mix 1/4 cup sugar to 1 cup water.

The nectar feeder also has a moat, which helps keep ants out. I

put water in the moat to deter the ants and find the small birds like chickadees and titmice drink from it.

Other birds

I continue to have tufted titmice, a few tree sparrows, catbirds, a pair of cardinals, blue jays, grackles, and black-capped chickadees. I have a tray feeder, which I fill every morning with black oil sunflower seeds. I don't put in a large amount of seeds so there will be no seeds left when the bears prowl about in the evening and night. The squirrels make sure there is nothing left for the bears. I no longer hang suet feeders as the bear walked off with the suet cage. I found it broken about five feet from my hanging pole. The pole has a permanent bend to it, also the work of a bear. It is probably time for me to buy a new one.

People may report a bird sighting or bird related experience by calling me at 413-967-3505, leaving a message at extension 100, emailing mybackyard88@aol.com or edowner@turley.com or mailing to Barre Gazette, P.O. Box 448, Barre, MA 01005.



Ruggles Lane students walk to the Barre Common where they placed flags in the ground. The Barre Fire Department hung a huge American Flag from the ladder truck.

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dents sat with their class on the side of Civil War monument opposite from where the flags stood. The Barre Library Association applied and received a grant from the Barre Savings Charitable Foundation to cover the cost of the flag garden. The Friday Club provided the flowers around the commons.

A ceremony followed the "planting of the flag garden." The children recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Fourth grade teacher Kelly Murphy sang the National Anthem, a Capella. The Sons of the American Revolution from the Colonel Henry Know firing squad gave a gun salute. Member Chris Tourtellot explained to students how the musket worked. The Brown Bess musket, a flintlock, had a pocket where the user put the powder and during hunting or war would push a lead ball into the barrel with a rod. The flint ignited the powder and sent the ball flying.



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After placing 700 flags in the ground the students sat by class for a Memorial Day ceremony, which included members of the Colonel Henry Knox color guard of the Sons of the American Revolution. Chris Tourtellot spoke about the uniform they wear and the musket, which they fired at the ceremony.



Former state Senator Stephen Brewer of Barre kneels in front of the many flags gracing the North Common, also known as Veterans Park. The Barre Savings Charitable Foundation, which Brewer is part of, provided a grant for the flag-placing program through an application from the Barre Library Association.

Tourtellot said the squad did not use the lead balls as they "did not want to hurt anyone." The children enjoyed the firing of the old muskets, both the noise and the smoke that came out of the barrel. Prior to the firing of the muskets, co-principal Suzanne Musnicki announced the firing of

the guns and said to cover their ears.

The town of Barre will hold its annual Memorial Day ceremony at noon Monday, May 31 in Veterans Park. There will be no parade this year. The schedule of the ceremony appears elsewhere in this edition.

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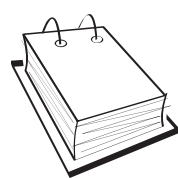
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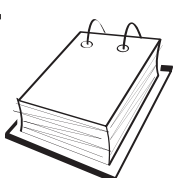
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BIRDS OF N.E./QUABBIN RESERVOIR with Dale Monette will be held at the Gardner Museum, Gardner from 7-8 p.m. Reservation is required. Admission for non-member adults is \$3. Monette a retired educator and naturalist with the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation, will present wildlife images, focusing on birds that visit New England and birds and mammals that live here and call New England home. Both of his books, “Secret Lives of the Quabbin Watershed” and “Voyagers, Visitors and Home,” will be available for purchase tonight and signed on request by the author.

SATURDAY, MAY 29
BARRE FARMERS’ MARKET will be held Saturdays now through October on South Common in Barre from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The market features local farmers, crafters and more.
INDOOR/OUTDOOR MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION for families will be held at the Woods Memorial Library, 19 Pleasant St., Barre. Registration is required for this festive and patriotic event; tours of the Children’s Room will begin at 10:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Participants may reserve a spot to take a tour through the Children’s Room, browse new material, learn more about the upcoming Summer Reading Program and listen to a Memorial Day story. People may register via phone at 978-355-2533 or email jpalmer@barrelibrary.org. Outside there will be space for bubbles, chalk drawing, block building and an area with tables to explore the art and activities provided. Masks are required. People should read library guidelines on the website before attending.

SUNDAY, MAY 30
OAKHAM FARMERS’ MARKET will be held

every Sunday from 8 a.m. to noon at Wright Memorial Field, Ware Corner Road, Oakham now through Sept. 5.

MONDAY, MAY 31 MEMORIAL DAY
BARRE MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY sponsored by Barre Post 2 American Legion will not hold a parade again this year. At 9 a.m. the Post 2 Honor Guard will hold a small ceremony in South Barre at 9 a.m. At 10 a.m., they will be at St. Joseph’s Cemetery and at 10:30 a.m. at Glenn Valley cemetery. At noon, there will be a ceremony at the Veterans Memorial on North Park. Captain Daniel Brennock, SNSI, USN Retired, will be the featured speaker. All residents are invited to attend.
ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY CHICKEN BARBECUE will be held and sponsored by the Barre Post 2 American Legion, 450 South Barre Road, at 2:30 p.m. Only 100 tickets will be available. Donation is \$15. People may call Tony Musnicki at 978-337-2351, Charlie Fullam at 978-355-2248 and Scott Tourtelot at 508-320-9899 for tickets.

TUESDAY, JUNE 1
GUIDED AUTOBIOGRAPHY with Seema Kenney via Zoom is sponsored by the Haston Free Public Library, 160 North Main St., North Brookfield will be held today and June 8 at 7 p.m. People may contact the library at 508-867-0208 or email illnb@cwmar.org to learn more or register for the ZOOM invitation. This ZOOM program is part of our Preserving Our Memories project, part of The Virtual Programming for Distance Learning grant program paid for with CARES Act funding to the Federal Institute of Museum and Library Services and administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

THURSDAY, JUNE 3
CONNECTING WITH THE LAND with representative from the North Country Land Trust will be held at the Gardner Museum from 7-8 p.m. The talk will be accompanied by a slideshow showcasing local photographers and displaying some of Gardner’s nature

Where is this?

This week’s mystery photo is from Barre. If any readers know where this photo was taken, they may email edowne@turley.com or call the Barre Gazette at 413-967-3505, extension 100 with their answer by noon on Monday, May 31. The names of those that correctly guessed the location will appear in next week’s edition. Dick Clark, Stephen Craven, Scott Davis, Evelyn Luukko and Carolyn Semon correctly identified the photo. Last week’s photo was the World War I monument in Rutland in front of the First Congregational Church, Main Street.

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and wildlife. Reservation is required by calling 978-632-3277 or going to infor@gardnermuseuminc.com. Admission for non-member adults is \$3.

FRIDAY, JUNE 4
ORDERS DUE FOR TAKE-OUT DINNER sponsored by the Masonic Youth Organization, Barre Assembly #114, International Order of the Rainbow for Girls are due today. Pick up time is noon on Saturday, June 12 at the Mount Zion Masonic Temple, Pleasant Street, Barre. Meal

options are a lobster roll for \$12 or chicken salad for \$8, both com with chips and dessert. All meals are to go and registration is required to labadore_7@msn.com.

SATURDAY, JUNE 5
TRI-PARISH PLANT SALE will be held on Hardwick Common, Rte. 32, in Hardwick Center today and Sunday, June 6 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Besides plants the event includes a bake, craft and tag sale. Proceeds benefit the Tri-Parish Community Church.

PEOPLE/MILESTONE NEWS

As a free service for our readers, we will print all births, weddings, engagements, milestone anniversaries, major birthdays, military achievements, honors and awards. We have a “people news” form available for you to submit these listings. This material is provided to us by our readers and local institutions and we do not charge to print this content.
For more information, or to submit people or milestone news for the Barre Gazette, please email edowne@turley.com.

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except for those that need to use the elevator where use of the side door is acceptable. Sign in, with phone or email information, required to the notebook used for contact tracing. Singing is not going to be permitted. Some pews will be blocked from use to ensure safe social distancing. Hand sanitizer will be available for use by all in attendance. A staff member will sanitize all areas used before and after use. Front and rear doors will remain open during services to allow for

fresh air circulation.

Golf tournament

The third annual Quabbin Baseball/Softball Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, June 12 at Quail Hollow Country Club, 1822 Old Turnpike Road, Oakham to benefit the Quabbin Junior Varsity and Varsity baseball and softball teams. The 18-hole shotgun start tournament begins with check in at 7 a.m. and shotgun start at 8 a.m. Cost is \$320 per foursome. The cost includes cart, green fees, post golf lunch. Prizes will be awarded to the winning team and run-

ner-up. Individual prizes include longest drive, closest to pin, male and female. There will be a hole in 1 contest with the prize a 2021 brand new Jeep Cherokee Latitude 4x4 courtesy of Guzik Motor Sales, Inc. and St. Germain Insurance, Inc. Registration deadline in June 5. People should mail registration with team member names, phone number and a check payable to Friends of Quabbin Baseball and Softball and mail to Kristine Wallace, 8 King Road, North Brookfield, MA 01535. People may email Kwal92@aol.com with questions.

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Baystate Mary Lane Satellite Emergency Facility Update

As of June 3, 2021, the Baystate Mary Lane Satellite Emergency Facility will close.

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For more information on the closure of the satellite emergency facility and alternative options for patient care, please visit BaystateHealth.org/EasternRegion

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Quabbin baseball looking for playoff run

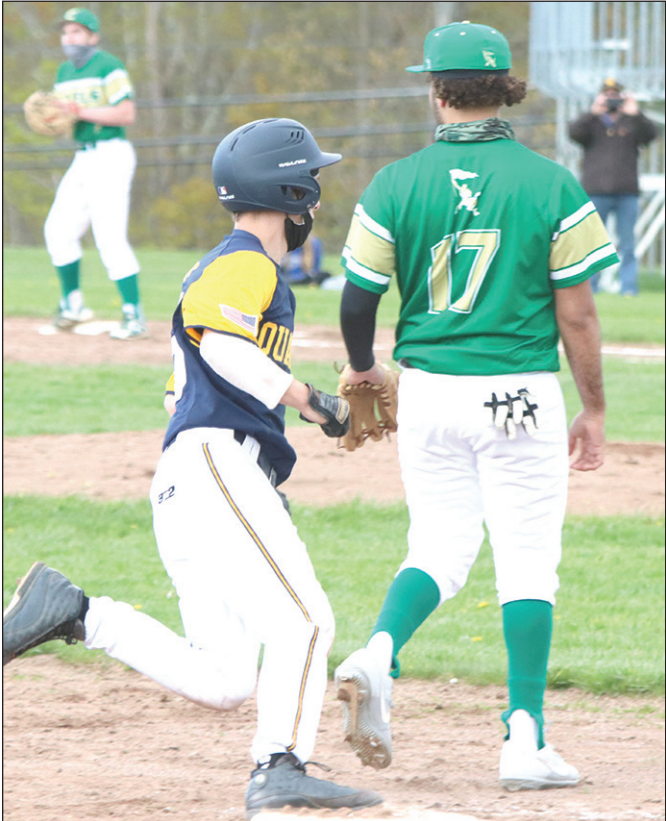


Jamison Howland slides safely into third base.

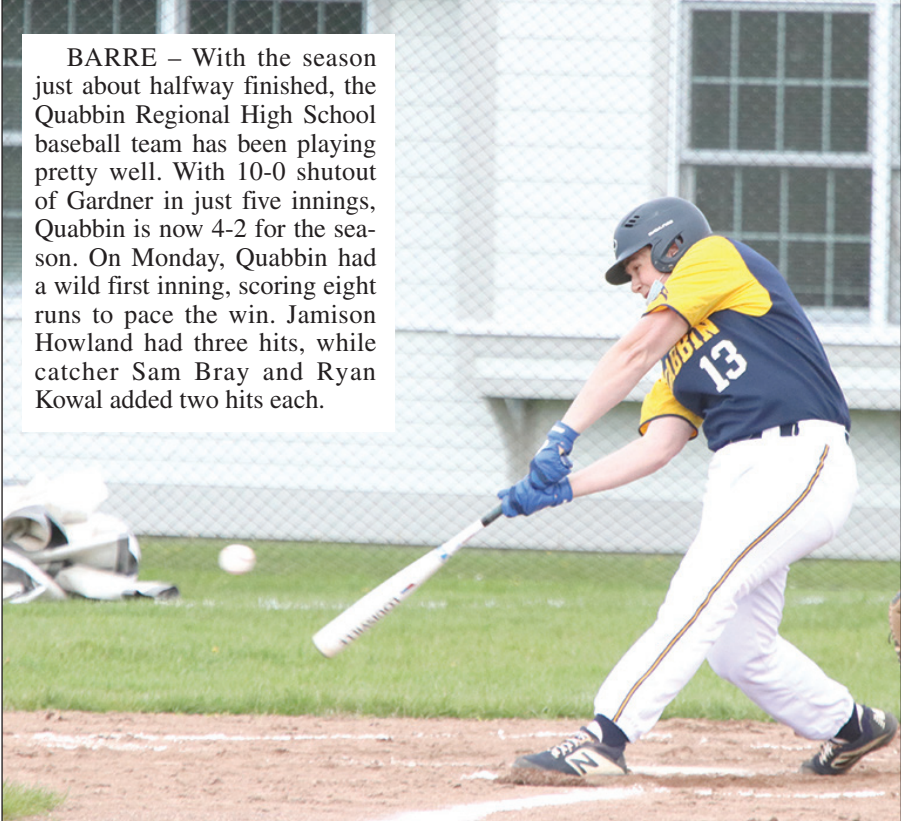
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Catcher Samuel Bray fires to second to attempt a play.



Jacob Salvadore rounds third and heads for home.



Colin Wallace makes contact on a pitch.

BARRE – With the season just about halfway finished, the Quabbin Regional High School baseball team has been playing pretty well. With 10-0 shutout of Gardner in just five innings, Quabbin is now 4-2 for the season. On Monday, Quabbin had a wild first inning, scoring eight runs to pace the win. Jamison Howland had three hits, while catcher Sam Bray and Ryan Kowal added two hits each.

Pathfinder can't solve Mustangs offense

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

PALMER—After losing three games in a row to McCann Tech, Springfield Central and Chicopee, the Monson boys lacrosse team made the trip to Pathfinder Regional looking to get back into the win column.

The Mustangs, who built a double-digit lead during the second half, cruised to a 15-4 road win over the Pioneers on a sunny and warm afternoon, last Friday.

“It feels great to get back into the win column again,” said first-year Monson head coach Conor Quinn. “We’ve faced a couple of tough teams recently, but all of the players have been working very hard. It was a total team effort in today’s game.”

Monson entered this week’s action with a 3-4 overall record. The Mustangs other two victories this spring came against the Granby Rams.



Lee Morse rushes up the field.

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Max Sanderson holds the ball away from the defense.

Photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com

Hicks gets assist in Pioneers draw

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

LUDLOW – Connor Hicks, of Monson, assisted on the Pioneers only goal against the Phantoms with 10 minutes remaining in regulation tying the score at 1-1. It wound up being the final score of last Friday night’s home match.

“I’ve been playing soccer for this team for two years and it felt very nice to be a starter in front of the home fans for the first time,” said Hicks following the match. “It was a hard-fought battle tonight, and it was a good game for our fans to watch.”

Hicks, who’s also a member of the AIC men’s soccer team, was one of the Pioneers starting defenders, along with Nicholas Obbrauch, who’s from Rome, Italy, Carlos Emery, who’s from Paysandu, Uruguay, and Federico Gutierrez, who’s from Montevideo, Uruguay. Guillermo Deal and Maxi Viera, who’s the Pioneers captain, are also from Montevideo, Uruguay.

“I’m the only defender who doesn’t speak Spanish which makes it a little bit difficult at times back there,” Hicks said. “I’m learning a lot from those guys and it’s a lot of fun playing soccer with them.”

Hicks had his own rooting section at last Friday’s match.

“My family have been my biggest supporters since I began playing soccer 19 years ago. They haven’t missed very many of my games. The atmosphere at the stadium is always very special. Everyone enjoys coming here and they always have a good time.”

Hicks, who graduated from Monson High School in 2017, was a five-year member of the



Carlos Emery socks a free kick up the field

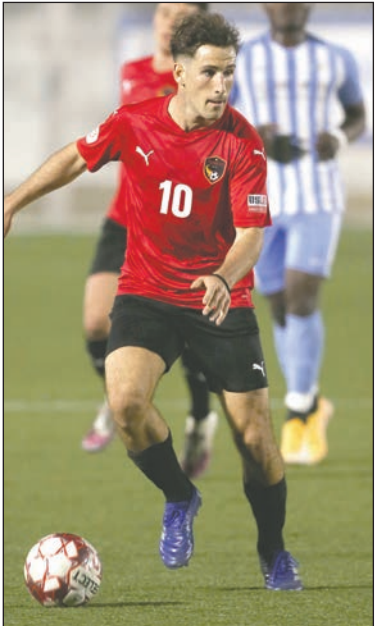
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boys varsity soccer team. He helped the Mustangs win back-to-back Division 4 state championship titles in 2015 and 2016. Hicks, who was the hero of the 2016 state finals against Cohasset, scored a total of 32 goals during the final two seasons of his varsity career. He has scored a handful of goals at AIC where he’s a mid-fielder.

“I normally play on the right wing at AIC,” Hicks said. “I’ve started at right back in the last two matches for the Pioneers. I’m used to playing on that side of the field and I’ll play any position that coach (Federico) Molinari wants me to play. I really enjoy being a member of this soccer team.”

Molinari appreciates Hicks’s dedication, and he earned his

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Guillermo Deal looks at an open teammate while continuing to dribble.

Buffone picks up another win at Monadnock

WINCHESTER, N.H. – Teen sensation Cam Curtis stayed red-hot Saturday, May 22, at Monadnock Speedway, storming to his third Late Model Sportsman feature win in a row. This one was special.

In the Modified main, veteran star Todd Patnode scored his first victory of the young season. Street Stock ace Chris Buffone earned his third 2021 victory lap, Mini Stock ace Ray King used his second win to move all alone to the top of the points parade, and Nick Houle rocked the Pure Stocks for his first win this year.

Young Gun Aaliyah Tacy made her own memories Saturday on the high banks, earning her first career victory.

It was only a year ago that someone dominated the LMS field like Cam Curtis is doing right now at Monadnock. That someone was, of course, Aaron Fellows. But while the Croydon star was 40



Submitted photo

Todd Patnode picked up the win last Saturday night in the modified race.

and had more than two decades of racing experience under his belt. Curtis is only 15.

Cory Plummer and Robert Hagar led the 23-car LMS line-up to the green as the 52-lap Dean Smith Memorial event got underway. Plummer led lap one but was then dumped from the point, with Exeter, N.H. hot shoe Frankie Eldredge then taking charge on the ensuing restart.

With a \$1,300 winner’s purse and lots of lap money up for grabs, Eldredge kept the cash coming in for the next 23 laps, but Curtis, then done with conserving his tires, rocketed to the front, dominating the final 28 go-rounds to top the prestigious Smith Memorial event.

The win helped Curtis expand his points lead after four nights of

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Sign up for Quabbin Valley Baseball

REGION – The Quabbin Valley Baseball League is an age 28-and-over league which plays its games Sundays at 10 a.m. beginning in late April and concluding in late August. It is a six-team league and a 15-game schedule with all teams getting at least one playoff game at the end of August.

The league is seeking new players to join in the fun. The cost to play in 2021 is \$192.50 and registration can be found at www.quabbinvalleybaseball.org. Games are mostly being played this year in Easthampton and South Hadley. Players who wish to pitch in the league must be 30-years-old.

Sign-ups will continue to be open as the league still has open

roster spots for new players. Players who sign up in the first few weeks of the season should be able to be placed with a team.

The league’s first games are scheduled for Sunday, April 25. For the 2021 season, there is a mask-wearing rule, as well as modifications that prohibit any type of spitting or close contact, and players are required to take out all trash they bring in with them. The league allows the use of BBCOR-certified -3 bats as well as wood bats. Games are nine innings and all players who participate get to hit and play the field. For more information or to contact someone from the league, go to the league’s website.

Photos wanted for Panthers sports

BARRE – With the upcoming season and a limited number of games and opportunities to feature current athletes, the Barre Gazette is in need of and is welcoming any and all photo submissions of Fall 2 sports beginning next week. If you are interested in either taking or submitting photos from Quabbin games for use in the Barre Gazette, please contact editor Gregory A. Scibelli at sports@turley.com.

Sports

2021 Hall ceremony returns to Western Mass.

SPRINGFIELD – The Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame has revealed the Class of 2021 which will be celebrated and enshrined in Springfield, Mass. – the birthplace of basketball – this September. The ceremony returns to Springfield on September 11, after a one-year relocation to Mohegan Sun for ample physical distancing due to the global pandemic.

The Class of 2021 includes ninth-winningest coach in NBA history Rick Adelman, two-time NBA champion and 11-time NBA All-Star Chris Bosh, NBA Finals MVP and 10-time NBA All-Star Paul Pierce, the first Black NBA head coach Bill Russell, two-time NCAA national champion Villanova coach Jay Wright, seven-time WNBA All-Star and two-time Olympic gold medalist Yolanda Griffith, and seven-time WNBA All-Star and three-time WNBA Most Valuable Player Lauren Jackson.

Distinguished committees focused on preserving all areas from the game also selected seven enshrinees for the Class of 2021: Val Ackerman, Cotton Fitzsimmons and Howard Garfinkel from the Contributor

Committee, Clarence “Fats” Jenkins from the Early African American Pioneers Committee, Toni Kukoc from the International Committee, Bob Dandridge from the Veterans Committee and Pearl Moore from the Women’s Veterans Committee.

Enshrinement Weekend will begin at Mohegan Sun on Friday, Sept. 10 with the Enshrinement Tip-Off Celebration and Awards Gala. The Class of 2021 and over 50 returning Hall of Famers will then journey to Springfield, Mass. for the annual celebratory events taking place at the newly renovated Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame and Springfield’s MassMutual Center on Sept. 11.

For further information on VIP Experience Packages, single event tickets, and Enshrinement Weekend details, visit www.hoophall.com/Enshrinement. As the health and safety of Hall of Famers, fans and staff is of the utmost importance, the Basketball Hall of Fame is monitoring the COVID-19 situation closely and will provide appropriate health and safety measures for all events. Further details about the Class of 2021 schedule of events will be announced at a later date.

Host families sought for Blue Sox players

HOLYOKE – One of the most frequently asked questions we receive here at the Blue Sox front office is ‘where do your players live?’ The answer is **host families**. Host families ‘adopt’ a player during the summer – and in the process form lifelong friendships and bonds with the players. Not only do you get to follow ‘your boys’ through a season of Blue Sox baseball – but you get to stay in touch with them as they chase their dream of becoming a Major League Baseball player.

Being a host family is a tremendously rewarding experience. If you’re interested, the following information is for you!

What’s expected of the host family?

Host families are to provide free room and board to players during the 2 ½ month Blue Sox season. Players are responsible for making their way to and from the park for each game – but the more you can be present, the better. Above all else, it’s your job as a host family to help make the players transition to a new and sometimes foreign community easier. While players are developing as profession-

als, they are still young men who are learning to adjust without their Mother of Father to provide. Your job is to simply help bridge that gap.

What’s in it for the host family?

As a thank you to opening up your home and families to our players, you get provided with the following benefits:

- Paid General Admission for your family throughout the season
- Food vouchers for each home game
- Special on-field recognition at the end of the season
- Access to special team events
- Free tickets to the Western Massachusetts Baseball Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

And who knows – the next future hall of Famer may be starting his career here in the Valley and he could be bunking in your home, playing games with your kids and sharing Sunday dinner with your family.

How do I apply?

If you are interested in being a host family, please call our office at (413) 533-1100 or e-mail Heather Ciaglo at heather.ciaflo@valleyblue-sox.com. Give us a call today!

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Athlete of the Week

NAME: Jamison Howland
SCHOOL: Quabbin

Howland contributed big in Quabbin’s 10-0 win over Gardner, collecting three hits and two RBI on Friday, May 21.

To nominate someone for Athlete of the Week, contact Managing Sports Editor Gregory A. Scibelli at 413-283-8393 ext. 258 or send an e-mail to gscibelli@turley.com.

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Education

Students help give vehicle new life

By Melina Bourdeau
Staff writer

PALMER – From one department’s vehicle to another, Pathfinder Regional Technical High School students were able to transform a Ford Explorer from a police vehicle to one of the newest additions to the Belchertown Fire Department’s fleet.

Belchertown Fire Captain Robert VanZandt, who is also a graduate from Pathfinder, said this one of several vehicles the department has had worked on by the automotive students.

“We’re using the vehicle for administrative uses, training, and some emergency response,” said VanZandt.

Rather than purchasing a new vehicle, the department purchased the vehicle for its trade-in value from the police department.

Students repaired rust, installed rear seats, painted the vehicle and other repairs to the 2014 Ford Explorer.

Pathfinder automotive teacher Craig Sankey said the students get the opportunity to give back to their communities.

“Our towns are responsible for our budgets, and we want to give back to them. It’s important for students to get this hands



Photos by Melina Bourdeau

(From right to left) Colton Hudon, Joseph Kwasniewski, Jacob Tower, Domicion Butryn and Colby Hudon were students that worked on a recent Belchertown Fire Department vehicle. Richard Eckhert and Thomas Kokoski also worked on the project.

on learning experience, too,” he said. “This year with COVID, it’s make the timing (of the project) tough, but we persevered. It’s been good to be in the shop for the year...This is one of the bigger projects.”

He said while the program can’t guarantee a project will be done immediately, they can make sure it’s done well.

“We make sure there is a quality product that is going to reflect the professionalism and

industry standard,” Sankey said. “They’re proud of what they do and we strive to be that way. Anyone can teach shortcuts, but we teach the way that quality work should be done.”

He estimated the project took about 50 to 60 hours to complete by a group of about eight students.

Pathfinder students Colby Kokosa and Colton Hudon were among the students who worked on the project, which they

deemed “stressful.”

“One of the things that was stressful was having the time to get this done,” said Hudon. “My sophomore year we worked on a Belchertown police vehicle, so this wasn’t my first time working on a project like this.”

His classmate echoed his point.

“I’m from Belchertown, so I know this is something I’m going to see every day,” said Kokosa. “I’m glad it was done in time.”

MWWC confers 665 degrees and certificates



GARDNER – Mount Wachusett Community College held its 56th Annual Commencement Ceremony in a virtual livestream on Wednesday, May 19.

“While I am unable to shake your hand as you cross the stage, understand that what we are celebrating today is just as special and just as impactful as any other ceremony. It is a celebration of you,” President James Vander Hooven told graduates in his address.

The 2021 Student Speaker was Vanessa Hill. Hill, a native of Puerto Rico is a mother of five. After a 19-year hiatus from education to raise her family, Hill is graduating with her Associates Degree in Human Services. She will be attending Fitchburg State University to pursue her Bachelor’s in Human Services.

Keynote speaker, retired Senator and namesake of the Brewer Center for Civic Learning & Community Engagement, Stephen M. Brewer, congratulated students for earning their degrees through the darkest year of the global pandemic. “To the members of the Class of 2021, welcome and congratulations. You did it. You got the degree you set out for. You did it in the most unique circumstance in memory. Be proud that your determination, your patience and your belief in a better tomorrow have brought you here.”

The Class of 2021 graduates were: Matthew Dallair, Joseph Francis Johnston and Miranda Lyn King, Associate degrees all from Barre; Joanna Marie Reisert and Gabrielle Susan Walker, cer-

tificates both from Barre; Holly R Perry of Gilbertville, Associates degree Kathryn M Becker, Katrina Bogaard, Kimberly S Handy, Charlotte Hobby, Alexandra Ramos, Andrea Techera and Kevin Techera, Associates degree all from Hubbardston; Andrea Techera of Hubbardston, certificate; Megan Maureen Cammuso, Ruth S Honthumb, and Alexandra E Marceau, Associates degree all from North Brookfield; Laurie Boutin of Oakham, Associates degree and certificate; Rebecca Mitus of Petersham, Ivonne Jimenez, Samuel P Martelli, John Matthew Mazur, Heather J Palmer, Cassandra Tessier, and James T Tirrell, Associates degrees all from Rutland and Marlene E Boucher-Ripley and Samuel P Martelli, certificates both from Rutland.

NEIT list local graduates

EAST GREENWICH, RI – Richard I. Gouse, President of New England Institute of Technology announced the Class of 2021 was honored in a virtual ceremony Sunday, May 23, at 10:00 a.m.

Local graduates were Emily

R. Ledoux of North Brookfield, Associate Degree, with honors and

Maja Mazierkowska and Jacob A. Russ, both of Rutland, Associate Degrees with honors.

The ceremony will be available for viewing on You Tube

Premium. The link will be posted on the NEIT website at www.neit.edu/graduation along with a full list of 2021 graduates. Approximately 1,000 undergraduate and graduate students comprise this year’s graduating class.

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Pathfinder, who squeaked out a 4-3 home win versus Granby on May 14, had a 1-5 record following the home loss.

“We always want to win every game that we play, but it was nice to beat Granby in a close game last week,” said first-year Pathfinder head coach Mike Himes, who’s a horticulture teacher at Pathfinder. “Everyone did their best in today’s game.”

The warm temperatures were a factor for both teams, especially during the second half.

The Pioneers suffered several injuries and only had nine players on the field for most of the fourth quarter. Himes came very close to ending the game early, but his players wanted to keep playing.

“We had a couple of injuries and we were a man down in the fourth quarter,” Himes said. “It’s very difficult to play a lacrosse game on a hot afternoon.”

A total of three Mustangs players recorded a hat-trick in the road victory.

Senior attack Joe Angelica led the way offensively for the visiting team with six goals and two assists.

The duo of junior attack Nick DiSanti and sophomore attack Cole Stevens each scored three goals.

“Each time two or three players had a hat-trick, we usually win the game,” Quin said. “We do have a bunch of scorers on this year’s team.”

DiSanti also had a team-high three assists, along with junior mid-fielder Jason Angelica.

Stevens and Joe Angelica each scored a pair of goals during the opening quarter giving the Mustangs a 4-0 lead.

After both teams switched sides, the Pioneers ended the Mustangs shutout hopes following an unassisted goal by sophomore attack Max Sanderson 31 seconds into the second quarter.

With 10:26 remaining in the first half, Joe Angelica scored his third goal of the match.

Two more goals by DiSanti gave the visiting team a 7-1 lead less than two minutes later.

Then Pathfinder junior attack Cody Ferus pushed a groundball into the cage past Monson junior goalie Scott Kustra (4 saves).

The Mustangs held a 10-2 halftime lead following two more goals by Joe Angelica and another one by sophomore midfielder Jack Jennings during the final five minutes of the first half.

Monson’s three third quarter goals were by eighth grade attack Domicion Fleming, Joe Angelica, and DiSanti. They also added one more goal during the fourth stanza.

The Pioneers final two goals of the match were scored by senior attack Ryan Caron and Ferus.

Pathfinder junior goalie Andrew Hurst made 13 saves.

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Church News

Tri-Parish Community Church news

GILBERTVILLE – The light breeze of the lovely day this past Sunday was a perfect demonstration of the “Wind of the Holy Spirit” for Pentecost Sunday, as parishioners celebrated at The Stone Church in Gilbertville.

The church had its first after-service fellowship outside in front of the church. Katie Tyler gave a sermon for the children entitled “The Turkey Lady and Forgiveness.” She also gave the adult sermon on “The Truth About the Holy Spirit.” Those present were blessed to hear Mavis

Gordon’s beautiful voice raised in a solo presentation of “Higher Ground.” Holly Bartelmann provided the music and will also play for the Memorial Day Weekend service next Sunday at 10 am when Jennifer Pollard will be the speaker. The weekend of June 5 and 6 is the church’s plant/bake/craft sale on the Hardwick Common from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. There will be no service Sunday, June 6 at the Gilbertville Trinitarian Church. Instead, there will be a morning prayer service on the Hardwick Common at 9:45 a.m. led by Marguerite Crevier.

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racing. Eldredge completed his strong night’s work in second, while Austin Brehio’s race-long solid performance netted him third on the night.

There was no full moon Saturday looking down on Monadnock Speedway, a fact perhaps misunderstood by a portion of the Modified field. It took six cautions to get their 40-lapper completed.

Todd Patnode, charging from row six, took the lead from Kimmy Rivet on lap 19 and sailed off to his first win of the season. Cory Plummer passed Tyler Leary with the white flag in the air to come home second.

Street Stock powerhouse Chris Buffone edged past Tim Wenzel on lap ten and then held him in his shadow the rest of the way to score his third 2021 victory. With Wenzel strong in second, two-time 2020 winner Hillary Renaud came home third.

A week ago, Mini Stock rockers Gordon Farnum and Ray King sat on row five, with Farnum then blasting to victory. This week, with the potent pair now tied atop the points parade, they again started side-by-side in row five.

This time, it was King scoring the easy win. Cody Leblanc – all the way from Bethlehem, N.H., more than three hours away – was strong in second, and Kevin Cormier came home third. Farnum finished sixth on Saturday.

Pure Stocker Nick Houle finished off his impressive weekend by winning Saturday’s 25-lapper. Third the night before at Claremont, Houle went tooth-and-nail with JD Stockwell over their last ten trips around the high banks to score the win.

Stockwell, rock solid all night, earned the runner-up hardware, with Kyle Robinson Newell impressive in third, just ahead of division strongman Chris Davis. Chris Higbee rounded out the top five after leading the first 15 laps.

Aaliyah Tacy kept Fast Eddie Petruskevicius in her shadow all the way to score her first-ever Young Guns victory. Teagan Edson was third under the checkers in her first

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starting position.

“Even though he didn’t get very much playing time last season (2019), Conner didn’t miss any practices,” Molinari said. “He’s been working very hard so far this season and deserves to be one of the starters. He has really improved a lot.”

Hicks made his first career start on May 15 in the Pioneers 1-0 shut-out win at FC Malaga City, which is a new USL League Two club this season from Lagrangeville, New York.

The Pioneers had a 1-1-1 overall record following the home opener. They lost to the Boston Bolts in another road match in the season opener.

During the 30th minute of last Friday’s home opener, it looked like Seacoast would be taking a 1-0 lead Mullen made an outstanding diving save on the low shot attempt by Frantz Pierrot and managed to deflect the ball away. Mullen was credited with a total of four saves.

The Pioneers had a couple of chances late in the half, but the contest was still scoreless at the break.

The Phantoms, who arrived in Ludlow with a 2-0-0 season record, took a 1-0 lead following a free kick during the 69th minute. The free kick was taken from the right sideline by Jamie Davis and the ball sailed to the far post where Maxwell Murray booted it into the right corner of the goal.

A little more than ten minutes

career race.

Next Saturday, May 29, Monadnock Speedway will celebrate Memorial Day weekend with a special Teddy Bear Pools Street Stock 50-lapper, NHSTRA Modifieds, and much more. Post time is 7 p.m.

Monadnock Speedway May 22 official results:

LATE MODEL SPORTSMEN, 52 LAPS: Camdyn Curtis ,Frankie Eldredge ,Austin Brehio,Robert Hagar,Hayden, Scott,Ryan Currier,Craig Smith, Robert Melvin Jr,William Kuhn,Cory Plummer,Ryan Bell,Dylan Bodreau,Daniel Comeau,Nancy Muni Ruot,Justin Littlewood,Jason Maki,Cole Littlewood,Tyler Lescord,Scott Beck,Rocky Smith,Ricky Bly,Ben Poland,Christopher Jackman

NHSTRA MODIFIEDS: Todd Patnode, Cory Plummer, Tyler Leary, Matt Kimball, Aaron Fellows, Scott MacMichael, JT Cloutier, Chris Jackman, Eric LeClair, Kimmy Rivet, Bryan Chapin, Ben Byrne

STREET STOCKS: Chris Buffone, Tim Wenzel, Hillary Renaud, Nate Wenzel, Rupert Thompson, Keith Johnson, Paul Smith, Nathaniel Nunez, Scott Zilinsky, Chris Riendeau, (DNS) Leighton Lutz

MINI STOCKS: Ray King, Cody Leblanc, Kevin Cormier, Louie Maher, Kevin Clayton, Gordon Farnum, Kevin McKnight, Jeff Asselin, Mike Douglas, Jake Puchalski. 11. 57X-Patrick Houle, 15C-Trevor Carey, William Chaffee, Robert Kirker, Richard Whipple, Matthew Lambert, Deion Russell, Christopher Grove, (DNS) Josh Wright, (DNS) Ethan Marsh

PURE STOCKS: Nick Houle, JD Stockwell, Kyle Robinson Newell, Chris Davis, Chris Higbee, Jake Bosse, Jason LeRay, Kevin Willey, Jimmy Zellman, Damien Houle, 33-Tim Shepard, Brianna Patnode, Carter Chamberlin, James Decourey, Dakota Lanou, Reagan Buffum, Ryan Lawliss, Brittany Patnode, Cory Lofland, Damon Roy, (DNS) Steven Zebrowski

YOUNG GUNS: Aaliyah Tacy, Eddie Petruskevicius, Teagan Edson, Jeff Moffat Jr., Eddie Gomarlo.

later, Hicks sent a pass into the box where Patrick Agyemang knocked it into the right corner of the goal tying the score.

“I crossed the ball into the box to Pat and he finished off the play by scoring a goal.” Hicks said. “It was actually my first career point as a member of the Pioneers.”

Agyemang, who’s from East Hartford, Connecticut, entered the match during the 73rd minute.

It was his first goal of the season. Ignacio Lerech, who’s from Tucman, Argentina, netted the Pioneers goal late in the second half against FC Malaga City.

With a little more than five minutes remaining, a shot attempt by Gabriel Ganzer, who’s a first-year Pioneers player from Taquarucu do Sul, Brazil was saved by Seacoast goalie Christian Garner.

The Pioneers are scheduled to play two more road matches against AC Connecticut (May 26) and Seacoast United (May 29) before returning to the friendly confines of Lusitano Stadium on June 4 to face FC Malaga City.

All I Need Pt. 1

What do we really “need” in this life? What do we desperately desire, long for and crave? What elements of life and living do you pursue, strive for and seek after? Have you ever considered that Jesus Christ alone is sufficient to meet any and every need we may have? Ultimately, He is all we need. Let us take some time to explore this premise over the next few editions.

1) Understanding

To begin, I posit that we all have an abiding need to be understood. We long for those who both know us and know what it is like to be us (i.e., shared life experiences). Of course, such empathy can be quite challenging to find. As the old adage states, “Everyone wants to be understood, but few want to understand.”

However, those who long for such understanding need look no further than Jesus Christ. Do you realize that He knows everything about you-and I mean everything (Heb. 4:13)! Christ declared that “even the very hairs of your head are all numbered” (Matt. 10:30). The following selection details the all-encompassing knowledge of God and His intimate awareness with every facet of our lives:

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 (NIV)

1 You have searched me, Lord, and you know me.

2 You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.

3 You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.

4 Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely.

5 You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.

6 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

13 For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb.

14 I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

15 My frame was not hidden from you I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.

16 Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.

17 How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them!

18 Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand when I awake, I am still with you.

Moreover, the Lord knows what it is like to be you. In His Incarnation, God the Son took upon Himself human flesh and entered the human condition (Phil. 2:5-8). Whatever you may face, please recognize that Jesus has the unique ability to empathize with you and your experiences. Take particular note of the following passages of Scripture:

John 1:1-2, 14

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. . . . 14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.

Hebrews 4:14-16

14 . . . since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are-yet he did not sin. 16 Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we

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may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

2) Acceptance

Secondly, I put forth that we have an abiding need for acceptance. We all long for someone who will take us as we are (warts and all). We desire those with whom we can be vulnerable and bring to light our failings without fear of judgment. I am not talking about the approval or condoning of evil behavior, but the willingness to receive us in our brokenness and love us still.

Those who long for such acceptance need look no further than Christ Jesus. The divine love of God is demonstrated in this timeless and timely parable-the Parable of the Prodigal Son. Consider it slowly and in a spirit of prayer:

Luke 15:11-24

11 Jesus continued: “There was a man who had two sons. 12 The younger one said to his father, ‘Father, give me my share of the estate.’ So he divided his property between them. 13 Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. 14 After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. 15 So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. 16 He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything.

17 When he came to his senses, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! 18 I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.’

20 So he got up and went to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. 21 The son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’ 22 But the father said to his servants, ‘Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. 23 Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let’s have a feast and celebrate. 24 For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ So they began to celebrate.

The love of the father in this ancient parable is reflective of the love of your heavenly Father. In love, He will accept any and all who come to Him in humility. It is His desire to embrace you (failings and all), that you may be restored to life-giving relationship with and blessing in Him! All who are willing to “come home” to Him will find open arms and an accepting heart that is ready to save. Let us abandon our evil, wayward ways and come home to Him today.

Thank you for taking the time to read this publication. Should you have any comments or questions, feel free to contact me at your convenience using the information below. Also, feel free to check us out online at www.NewLifeBarre.org or visit us each Sunday at 10:30am. We hope to see you soon.

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Day of Pentecost
“I will Pour My Spirit on All People”
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website at www.barrechurch.com and Facebook page.

Scripture Reading:
Acts 2 v 1-21

I. Introduction:

I do not enjoy flying, but I like being at airports, especially international airports where I see all kinds of people and hear all kinds of languages. It is interesting, and awesome to see the diversity of God’s people, and how we all travel on our different journeys. It is interesting to meet and work with people of different cultures and languages, to learn about their persuasions and beliefs, what is important for them. Among other groups, I am reminded of my five-year work with Palestinians and Israelis, as they were trying to come together towards mutual understanding of their differences over the land, and the conflict that has troubled the Holy Land for so long. I remember giving them a painting project to do, which, when finished, depicted their conflict, and how together they walked out of the dark soil, through the land they both love, and into the sun with the olive tree they both cherish on their journey. To complete the project, they wrote their names all around the painting, in Hebrew and Arabic, their heads touching each other, and they came together in new ways.

II. They were all together on that morning

The scene on the Day of Pentecost, was during the Festival of the new Grain, or the Harvest Festival, when Jews thanked God for the gifts of the grain harvest. The festival took place 50 days after the Passover. Here we have a scene of about 120 people in Jerusalem, followers of Jesus Christ, women, and men, including the mother of Jesus, and the twelve disciples. They were probably together in prayer and worship and sharing bread together and just having a friendly gathering together, when suddenly they heard a loud and wild wind blowing right through their gathering. The wind which came from heaven filled the whole house where they were sitting. The next thing they saw was the manifestation of lights that looked like tongues of fire on each person’s head. This was followed by all of them speaking in other tongues or languages. They were filled with the Holy Spirit but did not know that.

The crowd, which was moving around in Jerusalem at this festival, heard the strange voices of people speaking in their languages, all at the same time. They were utterly amazed, excited, and perplexed, because this group of 120 people were speaking in their languages. The crowd was made up of at least fifteen different ethnic groups and regions as described in verses 9 to 11. They must have come for the festival, or some of them may have returned to Jerusalem from the places where they had moved to. We do not know. How could it be, they asked themselves that these Galileans were able to speak their languages? Where would they have learned it? Some were surprised and others were skeptical and made fun of them, we read. The experience of the people there in Jerusalem was that of a burst of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, says Eckard Schnabel in his commentary on the Book of Acts, where they experienced the miraculous work of God in and through them, and where the content of their message in those various languages was about the mighty deeds of God, in and through the life and ministry of Jesus Christ, His death and Resurrection His ascension into heaven. The crowd themselves acknowledged that in verse

11, and they could not believe their ears. What does this all mean?

III. I will Pour My spirit on All People

This passage leads us to the speech of Peter, where he corrected the perception by some that they were drunk from wine. Instead, he says, they were filled with the Spirit of God, as prophesied by Joel 2 v 28-32 in the Old Testament. In these last days God will pour out God’s Spirit on all people, he said. These last days meaning during the time of Jesus, and until the last day when Jesus returns. We are living during that dispensation of the Holy Spirit with us. The Holy Spirit will not distinguish between race, ethnicity, class and so forth. That is the long-term promise that the Holy Spirit will be poured out onto all people. The implications of that are described in verses 17 – 21. Young and old will prophesy, see visions, and dream dreams. Many wonders will happen before the Lord comes. His speech does not end yet, but in this passage, it ends with the words, “And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord, will be saved.”

As I was preparing for this sermon, I was reminded of the year when, at sixteen years old, I had my first experience with God speaking to me and when I received my call to the ministry. After that experience, my sisters and I joined a group of youth leaders for a spiritual youth camp. I was new into that “kind of thing”, but I had started to build a relationship with God. It was at that camp where I experienced the power of the Holy Spirit as it entered my body, my whole being in the most powerful way, something I will never forget, and would put me on the road of deepening my relationship with God through Jesus Christ and the presence and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

IV. The Church in the Power of the Holy Spirit

In Peter’s speech in verse 36 he declared that Jesus Christ has poured out the Spirit which they saw. In this, Jesus completed His work, He commissioned the disciples for their work in this world, and the Holy Spirit ushered in a dispensation where, says Jurgen Moltman in his book, “The Church in the Power of the Spirit”, “the church and its ministries is conceived in the movement and presence of the Holy Spirit”. That means, the church, the congregation is a congregation of the Spirit, and it is the Spirit that makes the ministries of the congregation into a living community, says Moltman. We become a congregation of the Spirit, where Christ is the Center and the Head of the Body. The Spirit calls the people of God into life, and the Spirit of God gives the community of faith the authority for its mission.

V. Closing

As we celebrate this Day of Pentecost, we do this as people from different homes, backgrounds, and different stories and persuasions. In our differences we are bound together by the love of Christ, and the work of the Holy Spirit within us. This happens in different ways and in different gifts we received through the Spirit of God. We are made alive through the Holy Spirit. We serve through the Holy Spirit the church, the congregation, with Christ in the Center and at the Head. As we serve, and as we speak, and as we perform our duties, may we be blessed by the powerful work of the Holy Spirit in us, and through us always. May others recognize within and among us, the work of God and message of God, about the life and work of Christ. Amen

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Public Safety

Barre Police Log

Sunday, May 9
2:22 p.m. Recreational Vehicle Complaint Water Treatment Road – Officer Advised
5:48 p.m. Sick/Unknown Chamberlain Hill Road – Ambulance Signed Refusal
6:20 p.m. Choking Cut Off Road – Transported to Hospital

Monday, May 10
10:36 a.m. Landlord/Tenant Dispute Valley Road – Officer Spoke to Party

Tuesday, May 11
9:24 a.m. Sick/Unknown Worcester Road – Referred to Other Agency
12:45 p.m. Lost/Disoriented Person West Street – Officer Advised
8:47 p.m. Overdose/Poisoning Stetson Road – No Transport Required

Wednesday, May 12
12:43 p.m. Harassment Butterworth Road – Officer Spoke to Party

Saturday, May 15
8:26 a.m. Fire, Appliance Oakham Road – Investigated
2:06 p.m. Motor Vehicle Collision Wauwinet Road – Transported to Hospital
7:28 p.m. Harassment Old Coldbrook Road – Officer Spoke to Party

Tuesday, May 18
4:17 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop West Street – Citation Issued

Wednesday, May 19
10:22 a.m. School Resource South Street – Transported to Hospital
11:15 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Hubbardston Road – Citation Issued
12:04 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Barre Road – Citation Issued
12:31 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Hubbardston Road – Citation Issued
12:57 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Hubbardston Road – Citation Issued
1:10 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Valley Road – Citation Issued
1:29 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Hubbardston Road – Citation Issued
1:36 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Hubbardston Road – Citation Issued
1:50 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Circle Road – Citation Issued

2:15 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
2:51 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Hubbardston Road – Citation Issued
2:55 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Mechanic Street – Citation Issued
3:18 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
3:24 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
3:35 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
3:48 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
4:23 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Valley Road – Citation Issued
4:31 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Valley Road – Citation Issued
5:11 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
5:18 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
5:38 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Citation Issued
5:51 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Hubbardston Road – Citation Issued
5:54 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Citation Issued
6:14 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Barre Road – Citation Issued
6:27 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Summer Street – Citation Issued

Thursday, May 20
5:13 a.m. Disorderly Conduct South Street – Investigated
11:05 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Quabbin Plaza – Citation Issued
11:15 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
11:27 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
12:03 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop West Street – Citation Issued
12:21 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
12:33 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Barre Road – Citation Issued
1:01 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Citation Issued
1:13 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Valley Road – Citation Issued
1:30 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Mechanic Street – Citation Issued
1:43 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
2:09 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Citation Issued
2:38 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Valley Road – Citation Issued
3:37 p.m. Assault and Battery South Street – Report Filed

Summons: Mitchell J. Anekstein, 19, Barre
Assault and Battery with Dangerous Weapon
9:05 p.m. Fire, Investigation Clem Court – Fire Extinguished

Friday, May 21
11:19 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop School Street North – Citation Issued
11:42 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
11:51 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
12:10 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
12:29 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Vernon Avenue – Citation Issued
12:59 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Hubbardston Road – Citation Issued
1:16 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Valley Road – Citation Issued
1:30 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
1:45 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
2:02 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Worcester Road – Citation Issued
2:16 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Citation Issued
2:47 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
2:50 p.m. Larceny/Theft West Street – Officer Advised
3:58 p.m. Fraud/ Forgery Exchange Street – Officer Spoke to Party

Saturday, May 22
9:43 a.m. Falls Sunrise Avenue – Transported to Hospital

Sunday, May 23
12:58 a.m. 911 Hang-up/Misdial/ Abandoned/Silent Valley Road – Investigated

SOUTH BARRE
Tuesday, May 11
2:30 p.m. Animal Bite Chapman Road – Officer Advised

Monday, May 17
10:25 a.m. Fraud/ Forgery Grove Street South – Message Delivered

Tuesday, May 18
7:15 p.m. Assault and Battery Pine Tree Terrace – Officer Spoke to Party

Saturday, May 22
9:10 p.m. Disorderly Conduct Oakham Road – Report Filed

2:26 p.m. Stroke (CVA) Adams Road – Transported to Hospital

Thursday, May 20
12:29 p.m. Sick/Unknown Scott Road – Transported to Hospital

Friday, May 21
1:14 p.m. Sick/Unknown Adams Road – Transported to Hospital
6:58 p.m. Noise Violation, Party Crawford Road – Officer Spoke to Party
9:08 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Worcester Road – Citation Issued

Monday, May 10
2:21 p.m. Phone – Officer Initiated – Main Street – Officer Handled
4:35 p.m. 911 – Medical Emergency Bridge Street – Services Rendered

Tuesday, May 11
3:30 p.m. 911 – Medical Emergency New Braintree Road – Transported to Hospital
4:19 p.m. Phone – Medical Alarm Hardwick Road – Services Rendered
5:21 p.m. Phone – 911/Hang-up Call Clapp Road – Spoken To

Wednesday, May 12
8:10 p.m. Suspicious Activity Williamsville Road – Investigated

Thursday, May 13
6:11 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Gardner Road – Criminal Complaint
Summons: Curtice M. McGann, 23, Hubbardston
Number Plate Violation to Conceal ID; Unregistered Motor Vehicle

Friday, May 14
9:13 a.m. Malicious Destruction Worcester Road – Investigation (On-going)

Saturday, May 15
8:38 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Worcester Road – Citation Issued

Sunday, May 9
8:34 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Gardner Road – Written Warning
2:18 p.m. Motor Vehicle Collision Mile Road – Vehicle Towed

Monday, May 10
9:13 a.m. Malicious Destruction Worcester Road – Investigation (On-going)

Tuesday, May 11
9:16 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Gardner Road – Citation Issued
11:19 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Gardner Road – Citation Issued
1:17 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Gardner Road – Citation Issued
1:29 p.m. Trespasser Pitcherville Road – Officer Advised
8:01 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Gardner Road – Citation Issued
8:38 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Worcester Road – Citation Issued

Wednesday, May 12
7:55 a.m. Falls Barre Paxton Road – Transported to Hospital

Thursday, May 13
5:26 a.m. Stolen Vehicle Morris Lane – Report Filed
4:45 p.m. Overdose/Poisoning Miles Road – Transported to Hospital
7:57 p.m. Unconscious/ Unresponsive/Syncope Barre Paxton Road – Transported to Hospital

Friday, May 14
10:36 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Pommogussett Road – No Fire Service Necessary
2:52 p.m. Motor Vehicle Collision Barre Paxton Road – Vehicle Towed
4:19 p.m. Unattended Death Cheryl Ann Drive – Report Filed

Saturday, May 15
6:40 a.m. Harassment Hillside Road – Officer Took Call
6:49 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Pleasantdale Road – Citation Issued

Sunday, May 16
7:52 a.m. Bleeding (Non-Traumatic) South Road – Transported to Hospital
5:29 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop North Brookfield Road – Citation Issued

Monday, May 17
10:47 a.m. Neurological/Head Injuries Davis Street – Transported to Hospital
11:47 a.m. Suspicious Person/ Vehicle Maple Avenue – Report Filed
2:02 p.m. Welfare Check Sycamore Drive – Report Filed
8:07 p.m. Falls Bushy Lane – No Fire Service Necessary

Tuesday, May 18
12:40 p.m. Illegal Dumping Maple Avenue – Officer Advised
4:15 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Emerald Road – Information Taken
5:33 p.m. Falls Turkey Hill Road – Transported to Hospital
5:35 p.m. Larceny/Theft Main Street – Officer Spoke to Party
7:36 p.m. Threats Lynwood Drive – Officer Spoke to Party

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Wednesday, May 26
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Thursday, May 27
11:19 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop School Street North – Citation Issued
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11:51 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
12:10 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop South Street – Citation Issued
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12:59 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Hubbardston Road – Citation Issued
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2:50 p.m. Larceny/Theft West Street – Officer Advised
3:58 p.m. Fraud/ Forgery Exchange Street – Officer Spoke to Party

Friday, May 28
7:15 p.m. Assault and Battery Pine Tree Terrace – Officer Spoke to Party

Saturday, May 29
9:10 p.m. Disorderly Conduct Oakham Road – Report Filed

Sunday, May 30
2:26 p.m. Stroke (CVA) Adams Road – Transported to Hospital

Monday, May 31
10:47 a.m. Neurological/Head Injuries Davis Street – Transported to Hospital
11:47 a.m. Suspicious Person/ Vehicle Maple Avenue – Report Filed
2:02 p.m. Welfare Check Sycamore Drive – Report Filed
8:07 p.m. Falls Bushy Lane – No Fire Service Necessary

Tuesday, May 31
12:40 p.m. Illegal Dumping Maple Avenue – Officer Advised
4:15 p.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Emerald Road – Information Taken
5:33 p.m. Falls Turkey Hill Road – Transported to Hospital
5:35 p.m. Larceny/Theft Main Street – Officer Spoke to Party
7:36 p.m. Threats Lynwood Drive – Officer Spoke to Party

Wednesday, May 31
7:55 a.m. Falls Barre Paxton Road – Transported to Hospital

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8:39 p.m. Overdose/Poisoning Carly Circle – Transported to Hospital

Monday, May 17
1:08 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Citation Issued
10:36 a.m. Fraud/Forgery Juniper Lane – Officer Spoke to Party
11:06 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Written Warning
11:26 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Pleasantdale Road – Citation Issued
11:41 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Pleasantdale Road – Written Warning
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2:16 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Written Warning
2:24 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Pleasantdale Road – Written Warning
8:29 p.m. Chest Pain/Heart Problems Maple Avenue – Ambulance Signed Refusal
11:35 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Vehicle Towed
Summons: Amy L. Dadamo, 27, Leominster
Registration Suspended, Operate Motor Vehicle With

Tuesday, May 18
8:41 a.m. Serve Warrant Maple Avenue – Arrest(s) Made
1:32 p.m. Safety Concern Watson Lane – Officer Spoke to Party
8:51 p.m. Harassment Glenwood Place – Officer Spoke to Party

Wednesday, May 19
2:26 p.m. Stroke (CVA) Adams Road – Transported to Hospital

Thursday, May 20
6:50 a.m. CPR Adult Birchwood Road – Investigated
12:29 p.m. Sick/Unknown Scott Road – Transported to Hospital
3:13 p.m. Motor Vehicle Collision Main Street – Ambulance Signed Refusal

Friday, May 21
12:42 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Barre Paxton Road – Written Warning
6:41 a.m. Motor Vehicle Accident Main Street – Report Filed

Saturday, May 22
9:10 p.m. Disorderly Conduct Oakham Road – Report Filed

Sunday, May 23
12:05 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Written Warning
12:29 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Maple Avenue – Written Warning
12:46 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Maple Avenue – Written Warning
2:07 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Pleasantdale Road – Written Warning

Monday, May 24
1:14 p.m. Sick/Unknown Adams Road – Transported to Hospital
6:58 p.m. Noise Violation, Party Crawford Road – Officer Spoke to Party
9:08 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Worcester Road – Citation Issued

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9:10 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Fisherman's Road – Citation Issued
10:26 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Pommogussett Road – Criminal Complaint
Summons: Gary R. Shea, 43, Blackstone
Unregistered Motor Vehicle; Uninsured Motor Vehicle
1:14 p.m. Sick/Unknown Adams Road – Transported to Hospital
1:40 p.m. Threats Main Street – Officer Spoke to Party
3:08 p.m. Motor Vehicle Collision East County Road – Vehicle Towed
3:54 p.m. Disorderly Conduct Hickory Drive – Investigated
8:49 p.m. Trespasser Barre Paxton Road – Officer Spoke to Party
10:55 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Main Street – Vehicle Towed
Summons: Jacob I. Schofield, 37, Lunenburg
License Suspended, Operate Motor Vehicle With

11:35 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop Maple Avenue – Arrest(s) Made
Arrest: Christopher M. Moniz, 34, Tiverton, RI
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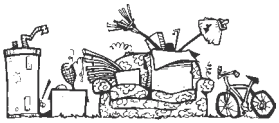
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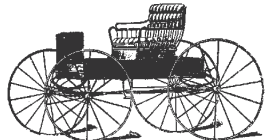
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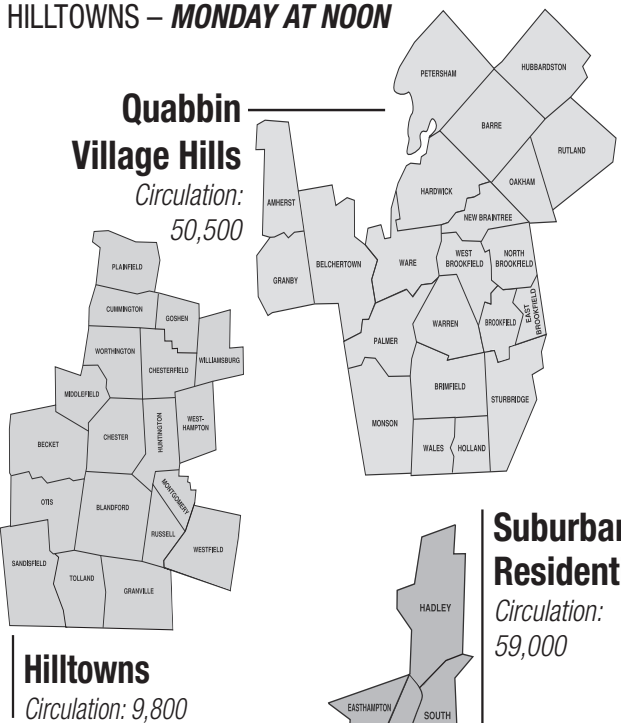
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Budget discussion continues between BOS and FinCom

By Paula Ouimette
Staff Writer

HARDWICK – The Board of Selectmen held a joint meeting with the Finance Committee to further discuss the Fiscal 2022 preliminary budget on Tuesday, May 18, at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Gilbertville Public Library
Finance Committee Chair Cheryl Wolfe said she spoke with a trustee from the Gilbertville Public Library, and their expenses should be the same as the Paige Memorial Library, at \$24,847.90.

Building inspector
BOS Chair Kelly Kemp said she has an updated number for the building inspector. The town's assessment for the regional building inspection services is \$17,785.71.

Dump monitoring
Lori Hoffman, who is covering some administrative duties for the town, said she spoke with Tex Sarabia about the cost of monitoring the old dump on Lower Road and adding it as a line item on the budget. The cost is \$11,000 a year and is a recurring expense. The dump monitoring

was added under the Board of Health budget.

Fire Department
Fire Chief Raymond Walker said there was only one increase on his proposed budget: fire expenses due to the rising cost of oil. He said the rest of his budget is level funded.

Walker said in his budget he included a request for \$8,000 is to replace nonfunctional hydrants along Route 32. He said four or five will need to be replaced, and he hopes to take care of two more each year. They fixed one by the Whistle Stop, but the rest of them

in that line heading to Ware have issues.

SelectBoard Vice Chair Julie Quink asked Walker if he needed a warrant article for the generator grant. Walker said he did, and also an article for a fire truck if it goes through. The cost of the fire truck is \$1 million, of which the USDA would cover 35%. The town would be responsible for 5%. Walker said he hopes the grant will cover the remaining amount needed.

Cemetery mowing
Finance Committee Sam Jakshtis asked if the board had reached out to the Highway

Department yet about absorbing some of the responsibilities of the cemetery caretaker. Kemp said Highway Superintendent Marty Gryszowka is shorthanded now and the mowing is too much for his department to take on. Kemp said Gryszowka agreed to cover the burials and monuments. They are currently waiting on mowing bids. Wolfe said they are lacking mowing equipment too.

Other financial items
Quink said they also have two accounting bills they have to deal with, totaling \$50,000. One of the bills is an fiscal 2020 bill and

needs to be a warrant item. The other is an fiscal 2021 bill, which will have to be dealt with.

Julie Murkette, who oversees the website and Facebook for the town, said she has been charging \$75 a month for her services, which covers about 16 hours on average. With the pandemic, her hours have increased to about 20. Murkette said she is also proofreading zoning bylaws and doing the maps for the assessors too. Murkette said she sent an invoice (she sends two a year) in February and has not been paid yet.

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